First letter to Santa arrives at postoffice. Halloween cleanup receals vandals hurl rocks through windows at senior high school, smashing some 80 windows. Cocktail lounge at airport administration building opposed by delegation of church women, First Christian. Death of Robert L. Shockley, 21, fatally shot while deer hunting in Klickitat county, invesigated.

Nov. 2: Trustees of First Presbyterian church sign contract for remodeling of the Ward building second floo and give face lifting to northeast corner of Yakima and First avenue. Dedication of recently completted schools at Grandview and apato scheduled for tonight.

C.H. Oliver named to coordinator county's work relief program.

Nov. 3: Harry O. Jones announces retirement as secretary-manager Yakima Credit bureau, position held for 15 years. Hunters move in for opening of Elk season tom rrow. Duck season opens too. Washington tate Recreation society at annual convention in Yakima yesterday decided in favor of holdin the 1950 Northwest district convention of National Recreation association in Yakima weekend of March 31.

Nov. 4:Glass smashing vandals nambed, two parolees admit smashing 76 windows. Jimmie Darden, 20 and Stanley George & Waeffler. Mrs. Newlyn E. McDonald, 34, Naches, given probation when she pleaded guilty to negligent homicide for death of Mrs. Matilda Godfrey along Naches highway night of October 24.

Nov. 5: Warm weather continues, climbs to 67, break the 1921 record of 66.

Thi ves get saf from Pastime pool hall, Selah. Yakima Valley Realty board pros and cons of housing in S, mac area.

Nov. 6, Sunday:

Nov. 7: Name new hotel contest opens with coupon in paper, \$100 prize. Yakima-Kittitas elk kill ner passes the 1,000 mark last night, game protectors estimate.

Nov. 8:Rev. Joseph Bruckert, SJ at St Joseph, Jesuit, honored by dignitatires on anning 60 years as member of the Society of Jesus. Donald Trler loses plea for reduction of bond from \$5,000.

November 9: Committee of ral estate men raised question with Yakima officials as to whether private capital might finance low rent housing project in S, mac area. Winter leaves snow on Chinook pas, chains required, six i ches falls there.

November 10: Entries in name new hote 1 contest (New Hotel Contest) climb to 568. Max Judy elected president of Kiwanis club, succeeding Cecil Eipley. Yakima city officials not worried that revenue will be upset by state supreme court decision holding that pinball machines are gambling divides and prohibited bistate law. Chinook snow 11 inches, time running short. Bob Millett, 54, Sedro Woolley elk hunter missing in Raven Roost area since Sunday.

Nov. 11:Armistice day, quite as a@m@ Admission day.Parade thrill for crowd Bob Millett, Sedro Woolley elk hunter, assing for three days and two nights in Naches, trated in St Elizabeth hospital for frost bite and exposure.

Nov. 12: Yakima newspaper photographers, W.llard Hatch and Dean Spuler, win 10 a wards out of possible 12 in Associated Press Northwest news photo entest at Portland, annual. John S. Moore, superintendent of Tieton Troject in 1918 an previous on S. nnyside project, back ho e after retirement. Resigned after work with bureau of reclamation, supt. of Yakima project 1932.40 and later at Denver as supervisor of operation and maintenance for wes ern projects.

Winter catches up with Chinook pass, closes it last night. Funeral services set for Roy C. Forney, 64, businessman, set for Monday. Öoddeed Forney died last night.

Sunday, Nov. 13: Federal aid need stressed at Richland hearing Saturday. Rnrollment in Sunnysid will increase about 1,100 by 1955-56 without i clusion of children of new Hanford workers.

November 14: Five housewives and seven men called to jury box to hear trial of Julian Tugas, charged with murder, growing out of fatal stodbooms shooting of Domingo T. Tabbada at Wapato, Sept. 24.

Mayor names com ittee of 12 to decide whethe a federally financed low rant housing project would be desirable. U.S. Supr me court Justice William O. Douglas to leave St Elizabeth hospital this evening, six weeks after injury. He will go by trai to Tucson, Ariz, still troubled by 17 and possibly 19 broken ribs.

Nov. 15:Unio Cap council paved way last night for start of construction of \$346,716 Union Gap sewer system, awarded R.L. Moos & Co. of Zenith contract to build system for \$195,380 and Rushlight Automatic Sprinkler co pany of Portland to build sewage treatment plant for \$151,336. Yakima Metropolitan park district today obtained title to fi e acres of ground in Fairview district southeast of city as future park, gift of Lions club which paid Mr. and Mrs. Archie Prior \$3,750 for the and land. And Sheriff combs city for special jury when panel became exausted at selection for Tugas trial.

Nov. 16: Mrs. Myrtle Cable, 60, injured in auto crash Oct 14 which kill Mrs.000 Ellis Green, died yesterday. Croner sets inquest to determine death fause.

Nov. 17: New junior college formally dedicated (last night)
26th annual meeting of Washington State Farm Bureau opens in Yakima.

November 18: Court orders Saturday session in murder trial of Julian Tuga: Gov. Arthur B. Langlie, on Yakima visit to farm bureau convention says chances for special session slim, that administration i tends to get along as best it can with moey available.

Nov. 29, Sunday: Everett Young, trainmaster for NP dies

Sunday night of heart attack. Overlow attendance marks dedication of new Bet

Lutheran church building

Nov. 19, Saturday......Blackmail charge filed against William D. Hall for attempt to extort \$500 from Tom J. Chambed Chamales, Jr. Demands on county general assistance and welfare fund coming in faster than 6000000 reimbursement warrants from state, grants totalinf \$6,147 temporarily held up.

Nov. 21, Monday Anthony Arcadipani, 38 duck hunter in vritical condition in St Elizabeth hospital as result of shotgun blast yesterday morning, while hunting.

Nov. 22: Yakima county's assessed valuation cut \$22,770 by board of equalization. Yakima has 213 students in junior college out of total 364.

Tugas waits call to witness stand.

Nov. 23:Storms fail to close passes, open for Thanksgiving holiday.

About 300 able bodied report to 14 work relief projects.

Nov. 24: Santa Claus heads for Yakima byhelicopter. Union
Thanksgiving se vices in Nazarene church draws 500. Miss Lylas
Robertson named queen of Yakima valley jun or college homecoming. Julian
Tugas found not guilty (last night) "not guilty of
murder by reason of insanity or mental irresponsibility."

December

December 1: Approximately 400 able bodied welfare recipients wer assigned to work today on 20 work relief proje to throughout the county. About 80 more ar to go on jobs tomorrow. Yakima district centus office, covering 12 counties to open after first of year for census taking to start in April, 380 workers for Yakima office, 333 enumerators, 23 crow leaders, 25 employed on district office staff. Residence building started in November boosted cost total of all construction during month avove figure for November last year, pushed total of all construction in Yakima for the first 11 months well a ove total of 12 months in 1948. Total now \$5,635,574 or \$116,428 ahead of all of 1948.

December 2--Chinook pas closed again for second time in less than a month, 28 inches of snow at summit, opening depends upon weather, November 12 normal closin date, twice as late as December 15.

Howard Andrew Wright, who attempted to falsely represent himself as husband and heir of a Naches highway crash victim sent to state penitentiary, woman, Mrs. Matilda Godfrey was killed October 24.

December 3=-Lions Square dance jamboree draws record crowds for two days, first of its kind in Yakima. Chest drive ends short of goal, surplus funds will make up difference for 10 participating agencies, approximately \$96,000 raised, leving deficit of \$21,000.

Sunday, December 4:

December 5: Yakima county's first feminine deputy prosecutor, Mrs. Roberta Kaiser reported to Prosecutor Ronald R. Hull for her hew assignment.

December 6: Safety council seeks outstanding men as preliminary to reactivation.

December 7:State purchases 30-acre tract on left bank of Yakima adjoining present state park from Jesse Heaverlo for \$7,000, state now has 60 acres under development.

December 8: Mercury drops to 21.

December 9:Robett E. Gay, editor and publisher of the Prosser r cord died today at Pross Memorial hospital, he was 67, suffer d heart attack November 23, 50 year resident of state, bought Prosser Record paper in 1928.

December 10: Yakima firemen announce work will begin M nday on clearing five res of ground adjoining Hoover school for Receptional ar a to be known as F, remen's park.

Sunday, Dec 11: Congressman Hal Holmes says development of Central and Dec 12
Southeastern Washing on through government assistance and private financing through on a scale ahead of anything else in the country within the immediate future ."Read about big projects...here in this distrect tops them all."

Dec 13+ John Dollenbacher, Sr, 83, XSelah died this mornin in St E izabeth George A. Kohls, pioneer Yakima shoe merchant died in sleep this morning. State supreme court today issued an order which temporarily holds up sentencing of Julian Tugas.

Dec. 14: Abraham Grant Lewis, who shot and killed another hunter whom he mistook for an elk wa charged in superior court with manslaughter. Charge outgrowth of fatal shooting yesteray in Cowiche district of Herman Reinecker, 43, Wenatchee.

Dec. 15: Lem J. Cole, 61, held in county jail following discovery in his Moxee avenue cabin yester ay of a set of counterfeit molds.

Dec 16: Go signal on construction of new \$277,466 Mountain View consocidated school building received from state department of education.

January 15 will be deadline for operation of pinball machines in Yakima county,

state supreme court opinion ruling that pinball machines are illegal gambling devices and in keeping with action being taken in other counties. Luther F. McCollum, 48, father of 12, jailed after superior court jury returned verdict finding him guilty of failure to provide for seven minor children. Family received over \$5,000 in relief grants.

December 17: Hoodlums in Yakima area smashed 68 w indows in Broadway gran e. Thinook winds hit her at mid-morning melt Yakima's first real snowfall.

Rep. Henry M. äackson, Everett, says chances appear good that the bureau of reclamation will receive a \$1,030,000 appropriation it has requested for c construction (new) on Roza project.

Sunday, Dec. 18-E1ks entertain 769 kids at annual Ciristmas party and feed.

Dec . 20: 19: Critically close to death from suffocation, 20-month old Marjorie Ebenal rushed at 9:50 this a.m. from St E₇izabeth to waiting plane whichtook her to specialist at S attle where doctors worked successfully to remove piece of walnut the size of pea lodged in windpipe. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Ebenal of Sunnyside, Route 1.

December 20: Dannie Lattin, 4 to spend his first C_hristmas of his young life at home. Because of a hip dislocation has spent first four in hospitals. He is goin on five.

December 21: Fire destroyed \$45,000 worth of property early today. Business blocat Wiley City, containing grocery store, tavern, restaurant, service station and barber shop left in ruins. Mercury drops to 10 degrees above. Dilar volume in cancellations leaped to more than \$500,000 for year qt post office.

Dec. 23--C_reless hunter, Roland Terry, sentenced to 30 days in jail, given probation and banned from hunti g in state of Washington for 10 years.

Dec. 24- C_h ristmas eve bandits (two) holdup thr e Gerritsen Village mark employed leaving work, take $\$_100$ and grill them in effort to gain combination to safe. David W. Yaden, 94, died last night .

Dec. 25--At S, noyside, lttle Sandra Pitzer, leukemia victim 8, 600000 continued wearying fight, too tired for Coristmas. Da. of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pitzer, rallied but too weak to join parents in solem ritual C, ristmas morning.

Even 50 years ago Yakima county was regarded as one of the largest and most important divisions in the state and irrigation was the reason.

OF The hard-working OLD-timers

Private initiative and enterprise which started the development by putting through canals which brought water to the sage brush lands and converted them into rich acreages.

The county comprised 5,580 square miles or 3,571,200 acres larger than the entire state of Connecticut. It's 85th birthday as a county will be January 10. When it was founded there were scarcely 3,500 white people in the area.

Kittitas and Benton counties were carved out of the original which succeeded Ferguson county.

At the turn of the century, Yakima county's population was 16,000.

The population of the smaller territory is now estimated at 140,000.

The 16,000 population included the cities of North Yakima, Zillah, Mabton, Toppenish, Sunnyside, Kiona, Yakima City, Prosser, Kennewick and the village of Cowiche, Moxee, Ahtanum and Selah. An estimated 1,200 Indians lived on the reservation.

The great Sunnyside canal watered 60,000 acres and extended for 45 miles with mains and laterals reaching 300 miles to farms and orchards. There were 350 families located under the canal and room for "six times that number."

Now the Sunnyside unit of the Yakima project, as operated by the bureau of reclamation, compared 103,579 acres.

An epoch in the history of the Sunnyside canal was under reached in March when Wellington M. Clark of Walla Walla, master in chancery, standing on the front steps of the old courthouse, sold the property to the Washington Irrigation company, successor to the Yakima Investment washington IRRigation Company company the composite manifestion was made up of different

interests holding claims for large amounts against the old company. The one and only bid was \$935,000\$ and the action permitted continued operation of the Sunnyside canal.

Annual cost of supplying water for irrigating general crops did not exceed \$\foatharpoonup\$ an acre in those days and it was a boast that this was less than in any similarly located valley in the irrigated west.

The Union, Congdon, Hubbard and Selah canals were other important Manwas planned to supply water for 5,500 acres.

The Prosser ditch, Moxee and many smaller farmers cooperative enterprises furnished water to irrigate new land. It was estimated were that Yakima county could support a population of 80,000 undeveloped lands to be plowed and watered.

There were 56 school districts in old Valeina count,

Mileposts galore were reached during the year preceeding a

Half Century of Progress for North Yakima and Yakima.

[William Jennings Bryan came to town (March 31) and made a speech

of 30,000 words. He arrived on a special train at 7 a.m., was awakened

by the b and and booming of an anvil and greeted by Gov. Rogers. Then

Bryan, the governor and Sen. Turner drove to Hotel Yakima in Brooker

Bros.' new \$\P\$1,000 landau, drawn by a team of blacks.

The fourth annual convention of the Washington Federation of Women's clubs met in the Methodist Episcopal church, May 29-31. It drew 300 delegates.

A town clock was installed in Larson's the opera house.

Congress provided pensions for those who fought in the I_n dian wars. There were 1,871 survivors in Oregon and Washington and 2,991 widows of I_n dian war veterans in the two states.

John H. Hubbard, who settled on Nob Hill in 1879 died in July. He was a former county commissioner.

Children at the state fair their first ride on a steam operated merry-go-around. Two trick bicycle riders performed in front of the grandstand. The fair cost \$5,900 and the income was \$4,349.

George S. Taylor donated a site of two-acres at Selah for a Selah valley cemetery. The first burial was that of Mrs. Bastian in February, 1900.

The first annual reunion of the hristian cooperative solony was held at Sunnyside. By May, the colony enlarged its telephone system to include 18 subscribers and there were connections in Mabton, Zillah and Toppenish.

Wallace M. Williams seeded 10 acres to alfalfa at Sunnyside with the armounced intention of growing all a seed. It had previously been claimed that alfalfa would not produce seed except at elevations

of 2,500 feet. Merchants of Yakima valley had been spending \$20,000 a year to import seed.

The Snipes ranch was subdivided into 20 and 40 acre tracts and sold on easy terms. Fechter and Janeck in the "llen block, North Yakima, the land agents, assured free water and a school house on the property.

Sunnyside valley production increased from 8,497 acres in 1899 to 10,947 acres of which 5,842 were in alfalfa, 386 in hops, 367 in melons and 1,991 in orchard.

The Naches Presbyterian church was dedicated in September.

Rabbits were a new industry and were called Belgian or English hares. Dr. Gordon had what was called "a herd" of 13 and Sydney Noble and H.J. Noble each owned a pair. At Artemesia, J. Peck, who was the first to introduce the animal to Yakima, was owner of several pair.

Returns at the North Yakima post office for the year ending January 1 were 9,340 a gain of 1,000 over the previous year.