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Consequently the senator proposes to introduce in the coming session of the Senate which begins Wednesday a bill which will ban television in motor vehicles.

The National Safety Council recently stated that the installation of a television receiver in a motor vehicle where it can distract the attention of the driver is suicidal.

Even the ordinary radio receiver in a car requires that extra caution be used while operating it. However, a totally deaf person can drive with safety, but not a blind person.

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fully to persuade the 80th Congress to pass his bill that contained almost identical features of the Celler proposal. But this is another Congress and one that promises to be more enlightened.

Airline Safety Performance

Scheduled airlines of the country achieved a good safety record last year according to the report released by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. For each 100 million passenger miles flown there was only 1.3 fatal accidents. This compares with 1.3 deaths for 1947. In recent years only a better mark—1.3 was set in 1939 and 1946.

Many more passenger miles were flown last year as compared to any previous ones. Also there were larger aircraft with more passengers which means a greater casualty list when an accident does occur.

Each year hereafter should see an improvement in the safety record of the airlines as the day of completely reliable all-weather flying is nearer at hand. The CCA reports that new types of landing aids some of which are adaptations of the cow-pasture airport system of lighting brought up to date. Instrument landings are now in operation in over 79 airports. The new year promises an extension of this field or activity to even greater efficiency.

The new year also promises to be one during which the airlines will operate consistently in the black. Up until the last quarter of 1948, there were losses in the industry that made it unattractive for investment capital. There is even promise of income return for 1949 from such investments.

Lumber is slumping according to reports. But any new house owner will tell you it's not as bad as bucking.

After Christmas Business

There was a time when January used to be the worst month in the year for business. Retail trade hit bottom after the Christmas rush as inevitably as it hit the peak in the weeks before Christmas. The construction industry was apt to go slow until the cold weather was over.

Plants manufacturing for retail stores had long ago shipped out the Christmas goods, and in January weren't as yet feeling much stimulation from the Easter season ahead. That is one reason why new automobile models used to be brought out in October—to bolster the nation's total manufacturing activity in the slack season.

But what used to be true before the war will not repeat an inevitable pattern after the war. There is talk that business activity will taper off this month, but if it does, it will be feeling other than seasonal influences. And business can taper off from its present high levels and still be good.

Prices seem to be the answer for most questions on business conditions in January of this year. If retail stores cut prices deeply, they may attract purchasing that had been held back by the pre-Christmas prices. That is, if people have any money left in their wallets or bank accounts. Chairman Nourse of the President's Board of Economic Advisors "guessed" just before Christmas that this had been the most expensive holiday on record for consumers.

If post-Christmas retail sales out appreciably into what inventories the stores have left, orders will have to be placed to replenish bare shelves. And a fourth round of wage increases is looming up on the new horizon—with a buyer's market replacing the old seller's market in many or most lines, some plants may turn out goods now simply because these would cost more to make later and would have to be priced even higher.

"China would be doing a lot better if it had a few Generals who can hold a line as grimly as Chiang Kai-shek can hold an office."

From Other Pens

Revealing Science (Detroit News) Television could bring the whole sordid business of war right into a Navy war room, or for that matter, into an average living room. But we get no satisfaction from this thought. It is just one more sign that man's conquest of science is better protected than his command of his own nature.

Hope for the Best



Mackenzie's Column

By DeWitt Mackenzie

Communism Makes a New Assault on Religion

The new Communist onslaught against religion in eastern Europe is a further effort to kill the spirit of independence which always has characterized the peoples of that part of the continent. This is by no means the first evidence we have had that Moscow isn't finding it easy to subjugate these liberty-loving countries. Unrest has shown itself in virtually all of them—Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Hungary, Finland, Romania. Even the three little Baltic states which Moscow annexed are reported to be miserable in their servitude.

Boyle's COLUMN

Any Opening Gives a Better View

New York—(AP)—Let's open Pandora's box all over again. Good night! Oh, oh—That's wrong. Oh, oh—That's wrong. I mean it really. Welcome—1949! And why not? Can't you open Pandora's box and figure this way—something's in here good for mankind? Why not give it a try? Light hasn't really hurt anybody in our world since—well, since way back last Saturday.

Last Saturday, of course, was the morning after. Is there too, too much to repeat about the Eve before? So you made a good-bye foot of yourself the last night of 1948? Will you ever have the same chance to do it in front of the same company in the same way again? Let us hope not. The Lord has his own mysterious way of removing elderly innocent bystanders from the scenes of our recent crimes. Our crimes against sensible society and our own conscience, I mean.

So today you are unique. You face life with a sense of guilt. But there the day stretches ahead of you—bright, fresh and new, and eager to record your repentant sorrow. Nobody in history saw the same day the same way before. Nobody will again.

THE NATION TODAY James Marlow A Tax Deadline: January 15 Washington, Jan. 3—(AP)—January 15 is a deadline for several million people who must pay on their "estimated" income tax for 1948.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Rev. Donald H. MacKenzie, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church took as his sermon topic yesterday: "How to be Happy in the New Year." The East Hill Community Club held its annual reunion and banquet last evening at the Chamber of Commerce. William J. Callahan was chairman of the banquet.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Captain Strauffer of Buffalo will conduct services in the Salvation Army Hall tomorrow evening. Two loaded coal cars which have been run onto the J. M. Cullen coal trestle in the New York Central yards yesterday broke away and collided with a locomotive.

but received more than \$100 in outside income from which no tax was withheld.

Some people who have been making quarterly payments on their 1948 estimated tax, and now they underestimated that tax.

Remember this, too: Some people started making quarterly payments last March 15. Then in the spring Congress cut taxes. Now they have a refund due them.

If they file their final 1948 return by January 15 on Form 1040, they'll get their refund from the government faster than if they waited until March 15.

Green Acres

Auburn's Show Place State and Park Sta. Presents All This Week Benny Payne Vocalist - Entertainer Pianist with Cab Calloway for 8 years

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Communication

Labor Speaks on the Health Plan

To the Editor: We often read of late about monopolies and their practices. These practices are almost universally condemned.

What we very seldom hear about are the other unions, professional and business, that prey on the public. These are many but the best known are probably the National Association of Manufacturers, the Bar Association and the American Medical Association.

The work of these unions of professional and business men is evident every day but often unrecognized. I think we can all remember the full page advertisements of the N. A. M. promising that if O. P. A. were abolished, prices would come down.

Now we are facing another propaganda campaign, this time by a professional union, whose members fear that possibly something may happen that will topple their false aristocracy and bring them face to face with the reality of living. This union is the American Medical Association.

The Silver Star Social Club held a dancing party in Hibernian Hall last evening. J. T. Gardner was floor chairman assisted by T. J. O'Connell and P. A. Hall.

A dancing party was held by the Messrs. Alberly, Walsh and Moon in St. George's Hall last evening.

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Speakers Listed For Prayer Week

Rev. Clifford A. Scrimshaw, chairman of the committee in charge of Auburn's observance of Universal Week of Prayer today announced the list of clergymen who will be heard at the special evening services which continue at 7:30 o'clock each night of the week.

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AUBURN TODAY and TUES.

MGM Words & Music JUNE ALISON, JUDY GARLAND, GENE KELLY, ANN SOTHERN, PERRY COMO, LENA HORNE, MICKY ROONEY

ALL WEEK SPECIALS

- PORK SHOULDERS lb. 41c
HAMBURG lb. 49c
PORK SAUSAGE lb. 49c
SHOULDER STEAK lb. 59c
VEAL CHOPS lb. 59c
PORK CHOPS lb. 47c
PIGS FEET 2 lbs. 25c
SLICED BOLOGNA lb. 45c
OLEO 2 lbs. 69c
PET MILK 4 cans 57c
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MONARCH
VEGETABLE SOUP 3 cans 29c
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LAST DAY "Rachel And The Stranger" plus "Lock Of The Irish"

PALACE 2 SMASH HITS 2 TUES. thru THURS. He Wanted Her For MURDER She Wanted Him For LIFE

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