

THE OMAHA GUIDE

New Year Greeting

I saw the hills of the morning. The form of the new year arise; He stood like a statue adorning...

"I come from Time's boundless forever," He said, with a voice like a song; "I come as a friend to endeavor...

"I bring you more blessings than terrors, I bring you more sunlight than gloom, I tear out your page of old errors...

'Open House' on New Year's Day

It was customary for the Dutch settlers of New York to hold "open houses" on New Year's day and to provide light refreshments...

During the latter part of the 19th century the custom of making short calls on New Year's day was in full swing throughout America...

A succession of "open houses" and punch bowls minimized the courtesy accorded hostesses—in many cases—and even resulted in receptions being "crashed" by bibulous young men...

Celebrant



This attractive young Chinese girl adds her hit to the celebration of New Year's eve in New York festivities. The Chinese new year—4411—begins considerably later than our own.

Holidays and Special Events of New Year

The year 1945 is not a leap year, so February will again have the usual 28 days. The holidays and special events for the new year will be as follows:

Mexican Clock

Many Mexican families still observe the "old clock system" on New Year's eve. On a table in a main room of the house, lighted candles surround a tiny casket...

First to See Year

The little British colony on Hanson Island, in the Chathams, 414 miles southeast of Wellington, New Zealand, will be the first to greet 1945...

Horse Numbers

The estimated number of horses and colts on the farms of the country on January 1, 1940, was 9,856,000, while the number of mules was 3,811,000.

Tasty Jelly

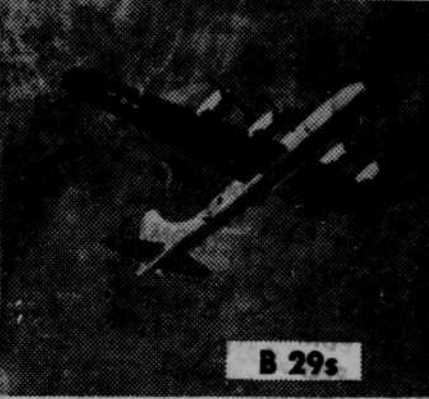
The common barberry was introduced into this country not for its ornamental value but for the fruit which makes excellent jelly.



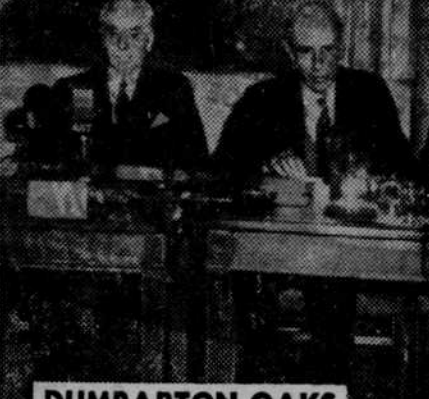
WAR-TIME ELECTION



ROBOT BOMBS



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DUMBARTON OAKS



MR. AVERY 'SITS DOWN'



CHINESE PUZZLE



RECORD HARVEST



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PHILIPPINES

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SOUTHERN FRANCE

4-Governors' conference ends, after issuing statement defining limits of state and federal powers.

NORMANDY

30-Miss Ann Curtis improves the woman's 800-yard free style swimming record with a mark of 11:08.6.

Chronology of 1944 THE WAR

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DOMESTIC

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October

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- 1-Allied forces in Italy turn back German counterattack near Anzio.

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- 3-Bob Montgomery regains the lightweight title, as recognized in New York, by outpointing Beau Jack.

April

- 13-Montreal Canadiens defeat the Chicago Blackhawks for the fourth successive time in the Stanley cup professional ice hockey championship playoff.

May

- 5-Charlie Grimm becomes new manager of Chicago Cubs.

June

- 23-One hundred and forty-six were killed and 1,000 injured by a tornado that swept over parts of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland.

July

- 6-A fire in the main tent of the Ringling Bros. circus in Hartford, Conn., causes deaths of 167 persons, mostly women and children.

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