

# NUNS ACQUIRE DAVIS PROPERTIES

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## Trianon, MWA Site Bought After Mrs. Davis' Bequest

**THE WEATHER**  
U. S. Weather Bureau, Peterson Field  
cloudy through Wednesday. Snow  
on mountains tonight and Wednesday.  
Low tonight 20 to 25. Colder  
tomorrow with a high of 35 to 40.

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**STIMAS FOR THE NEEDY**—These pretty dolls will bring some underprivileged children this Christmas. The dolls, by Mrs. A. C. Erickson, left, and Mrs. Payson Gregory, are part of the hundreds of toys, clothing, canned goods and other needs being distributed this week on a point system at Christmas Unlimited headquarters at the YMCA. At least 350

### Red Plan On Korea Rejected

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 2 (UP)—The United Nations political committee threw out Russia's Korean peace resolution Tuesday and added one more vote to its overwhelming majority for India's compromise plan. Lebanon, absent when the committee balloted on the Indian plan Monday night, asked that its vote be recorded as favoring the India plan. That made the final official count on India's resolution 54-5. Only the Soviet bloc—Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Byelo-Russia and the Ukraine—voted against it and Nationalist China abstained because parts of the measure gave cognizance to the Chinese Communist regime.

Despite the landslide vote for the Indian measure, Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky insisted that the committee vote on Russia's plan. The committee rejected it, 41-5, with 12 abstentions.

Once again, only the Soviet bloc rallied behind Russia. Argentina joined the Arab-Asian bloc in ab-

### TV Colorado Seeks Temporary Permit

KKTV, Radio Station KVOR's television counterpart, could be on the air within three days after granting of a temporary authorization to broadcast on "lower than final power."

Cecil Seavey, program director for TV Colorado, Inc., said the station was ready to go except for installation of a "temporary corner reflector," an antenna system which would allow broadcast on the low power.

He estimated it would take three days to install such a system, with two men being flown here from Kansas City to do the job.

The day the station starts sending programs depends on how long the Federal Communications Com-

mission takes to act on the application for temporary authorization.

**Files Today**  
James D. Russell, president of the corporation, who has been in Washington, was scheduled to file the application this morning, Seavey said.

Seavey noted that in the past the granting of temporary authorization to broadcast on lower than final power "has normally been pretty automatic."

"However," he said, "we don't know when the FCC will act on our application."

The FCC granted KKTV a construction permit last Friday on condition that the station didn't use any of the transmitter installations already built on Cheyenne Mountain.

After that announcement, crews worked almost around the clock putting up a new building to house transmitting equipment.

**Building Completed**  
The building was completed Sunday with the exception of putting on a second coat of paint and doing some finishing work on the

### Reuther Gets Backing of 2 Large Unions

A Denver group of Catholic nuns have acquired both the Trianon Palace in Broadmoor and the Modern Woodmen of America Sanitarium, 10 miles northwest of Colorado Springs, it was revealed today. Purchase of the two properties from Blevins Davis, Colorado Springs socialite and art connoisseur, followed announcement

palace, probably using the latter "as a chapel and retreat." They will give up their headquarters at St. Joseph's Motherhouse, 2825 West 32nd Avenue, in Denver, he said, to make Colorado Springs their world headquarters.

Sources here said Davis had been asking \$2,325,000 for both properties.

Announcement of the bequest was made Monday in New York, following action by the trustees of the estate of railroad heiress Mrs. Marguerite S. Davis. Mrs. Davis, in her will, had directed that the money be used at the discretion of the trustees for charitable purposes.

The trustees' announcement was followed today by confirmation both of the bequest and purchase of the two local properties by John Metzger, Jr., former state attorney general and unsuccessful candidate for governor at the last election. Metzger, at his Denver office, told The Free Press he had represented the religious order throughout the entire negotiations.

He refused to give any further information of the financial transaction.

**To Move Here**  
Metzger said the nuns would occupy both the sanitarium and the

ate St. Anthony's Hospital in Denver, and Mount St. Elizabeth's Home in Morrison, in addition to hospital and schools throughout Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and New Mexico.

(For more on the Trianon and Woodmen's Sanitarium see Page 2.)

## Would You Recognize A Break If You Got It?

Would you recognize a "break" if you got one? All of us get "breaks" but not all of us know about it when they happen. Recognizing a break depends on your power of observation. How observant are you? Check yourself on these few points:

1. Has the house next door to yours a slate, a tile, or a shingle roof?
2. What is the license number of your automobile?
3. Has your watch Roman or Arabic numerals?
4. Does your life insurance policy contain a double-indemnity clause?
5. Is the street number of your house visible from the sidewalk?
6. Could you tell whether the last fuse you replaced in your home last was a 10, 15, or 20 ampere fuse?
7. Do you know where the gas shut-off valve is in your home?
8. Are the electric outlets in your home single or double?
9. What President's picture is on a dollar bill?
10. Are your shoe laces round or flat?

# **Trianon, Sold to Catholic Nuns By Davis, Was Built 45 Years Ago**

(See Story on Page One)

The 60-room Broadmoor palace known as the Trianon, which has been sold to a Denver community of Catholic nuns by Blevins Davis, was built by the C. A. Baldwins in 1907 and was patterned after the Palais du Grand Trianon, home of Louis XIV in Versailles, France.

Following Baldwin's death, Mrs. Baldwin became the wife of Prince Zourab Tchkotoua, and in 1949, a year after their marriage, they sold the estate to Davis for a reported price of \$250,000.

Davis has done extensive remodeling and has also held a number of gala parties. Last year, Margaret Truman, on a singing tour through the region, spent several days vacationing at the palace as Davis' guest. Davis and President Truman have been personal friends for many years.

## **22 Motorists Fined in Heavy Traffic Court**

In his heaviest traffic court of

Davis was said to have paid a half million dollars for the Modern Woodmen of America Sanitarium which he purchased from the fraternal order in July, 1950. At the

## **Frantz, 61, Guilty Of Morals Charge**

Horace G. Frantz, 61, of Colorado Springs, was found guilty of taking indecent liberties with a minor child when his case was heard before an 11-man jury this morning in Chaffee County Courthouse, Salida.

Frantz was scheduled to be tried on an insanity plea at 2 p. m. today before District Judge Joseph Blunt, who presided during the morning trial.

Frantz was appearing on a charge brought by the mother of a 9-year-old Colorado Springs boy last May 21.

Several months ago, at the direction of the court, he was confined to the State Hospital in Pueblo, and the Colorado General Hospital in Denver under observation for possible insanity.

time of the purchase it was indicated that Davis planned on using the structures and estate as a ballet center. He is president of the Ballet Theater of New York.

Construction of the sanitarium, located on 1400 acres of wooded land, began in 1908 and continued until 1925. At times there were more than 400 Woodmen, ill with tuberculosis, hospitalized there.

### **80 Employees**

But by 1947 the number of patients had dropped to 18, while a staff of 80 employees was required to maintain the 12 acres of buildings, and the Woodmen voted to close the sanitarium.

The property is well-landscaped and has paved streets and gutters. Buildings include a three-story hospital, a two-story administration building, a three-story dormitory, a two-story auditorium, 24 private residences, heating plant, laundry, greenhouse, dairy buildings, and numerous other structures.

There were also 205 one-room buildings used by recuperating patients but they were offered for sale following Davis' purchase of the property.