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Following a conference with Gov. Spessard L. Holland and other state officials in Tallahassee, Walter P. Fuller, president of the Gulf Coast Highway association reported yesterday that plans for paving the 20-mile gap in the road from Lebanon to Inglis to Crystal River (in Citrus and Levy counties) are now being prepared and bids are expected to be asked this month or in February.

"Governor Holland told me this improvement was at the top of the list of 1942 state road projects for this district, that the specifications are now being made up and that he sees nothing in the existing picture to prevent the early paving of this gap," Fuller said.

"While I was in his office, he checked with the state engineers and asked them if they had any objections to raise relative to the project. They said no steel would be available, but none is necessary as all bridges are in on this gap.

"The question of railroad facilities was then brought up, but with pits available all along the route, crushed rock can easily be trucked to any point it is needed. The state engineers said they saw no other obstacle to starting work soon.

"The governor, in my presence, told them, 'Those folks down there (Pinellas county) have never had a state road into their county, they deserve it and I want to see them get it.' He told the engineers to expedite the project as much as possible.

"I asked the governor when we might expect the bids to be asked, and he told me that if See HIGHWAY, Page 7, Col. 2.

and lacerations about face, right hand and legs.

Mrs. Effie Wright.

Officers early this morning were still trying to unravel the circumstances of the accident in which from one to three cars were reported involved.

One car, a light Ford two-door sedan, was badly damaged. The roof was smashed and all windows shattered. It was stained throughout with blood.

Leverock, one of the victims, arrived in St. Petersburg from New York only yesterday. He is a garage mechanic and father of four children ranging in age from 1 to 5 1/2 years old.

Leverick was identified by his brother, Johnny, 2001 Thirty-eighth avenue north, who came to Mound Park hospital at 3:30 this morning.

All those injured were being treated at Mound Park hospital.

## City Forgets War to Bow Old Year Out

For a few hours last night, St. Petersburg turned from the cares of a war-troubled world to launch, with city-wide frivolity and fun, a new year that it hopes will bring victory and a peace to all mankind.

The greeting was tumultuous and cheery—a challenge for 1942 to bring with it health, wealth and all the good things of life. For awhile, amidst the blowing of whistles, the sound of automobile horns and the shouting of people, the war was forgotten. Everywhere could be heard the music of "Auld Lang Syne" and the hearty wish of "Happy New Year."

The war will be recalled forcibly today, however, as St. Petersburg, in solemn meditation, heeds, with the rest of the nation, President Roosevelt's proclamation for a Day of Prayer.

The entire city will be hushed and quiet. All business will be at a standstill, except for a few food stores remaining open for varying hours. Public buildings, including the city hall, city court, Chamber of Commerce, public library will be closed. Schools are having their vacation and the post office will suspend all business.

For many of the people, today will be a happy family reunion. There will be "open house" in hotels, apartment houses and private homes, a general exchange of friendly greetings. Parties are scheduled; hotels, restaurants, cafeterias and cafes are planning special holiday menus, and theaters are offering their best plays of the year.

Just as last night, when watch night services were held, so will churches today open their doors for prayer and worship.

Union church services, sponsored by the St. Petersburg Ministers' association, will be held from 10 until 10:45 o'clock this morning at Trinity Lutheran and Westminster Presbyterian churches. Catholic and Episcopal churches will conduct morning services, with St. Bartholomew's slated for 10 o'clock. Services at United Liberal church will be at 11:30 o'clock this morning; at First Congregational church at 10:30 o'clock; Fifth Avenue Baptist church from 11 o'clock until noon, and Unity church at 11:45 o'clock. Afternoon services will be held at Childs Park Methodist from 4 until 5 o'clock, and at Woodlawn Presbyterian church at 4 o'clock. At 7:30 o'clock tonight, worshippers will gather at Gulfport Methodist church and Temple Beth-T.

Meet Master 1942—as impersonated by Jo Monroe Phillips, 765 Seventeenth avenue n

## Experts Tell Nat Early Reverses S But Outcome Ass

WASHINGTON. — (U.P) — Top-ranking experts on foreign affairs last night warned people to expect reversals in the Far Eastern ing loss of the Philippines, but they said fir the world conflict is certain—an Allied victo

Chairman Tom Connally, Texas Democrat, of the powerful senate foreign relations committee, said American lives and ships will be lost. He pointed to the strength of enemy armies, developed over a period of years, and said this country must produce more arms, build more ships, train more troops.

"When we hit our full stride—I have no doubt as to our victory," he declared. "Hitler and Japan have chosen to live by the sword and by the sword they shall perish."

Senator Walter F. George, Georgia Democrat, former chairman of the foreign relations group, believed the war would be won in the Atlantic and in Europe. He cautioned the people against becoming impatient, asserting that it probably will take the United States a year to hit its full war stride.

### MUST DEFEAT HITLER

"When Hitler is crushed the war will be practically over," he said. "Japan will negotiate and try to maintain some of her gains. But I think the American

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### APPEAL TO COURTS PROMISED:

## COUNCIL BY 5-1 REFUSES TO CHAN PARALLEL PARKING

In special session yesterday city council by a turned down a proposed new traffic ordinance t acted to restore angle parking and restrict the insting meters in the central city area and by the s down a petition for an initiative referendum o ordinance.

Immediately after the vote was announced, Robert S. Lord, speaking for a citizens' committee sponsoring the initiative referendum movement, said the committee will apply to circuit court for a mandamus order to compel council action on the referendum petitions.

Councilman George W. Hopkins cast the only negative vote. Councilman C. Frank Harrison was not present.

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tion was introduced by man Stanley Min ed that "for year ing the first six the city had fail with the rapidly conditions, which our city to occu enviable position traffic fatalities a dents."

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