

A P R O C L A M A T I O N
(AMERICAN LEGION TIDE OF TOYS WEEK)

December 26, 1949 - January 2, 1950

WHEREAS, for years the playgrounds of Europe's children have been bomb-pits and their toys the grisly trophies of war, and

WHEREAS, without aid millions of European children will be denied toys this winter, and

WHEREAS, the American Legion has instituted a program to collect and send a shipload of toys to Europe immediately after Christmas, and

WHEREAS, this program will let the children of Europe -- the generation of the future -- know that they have real American friends,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor of the State of South Carolina, do hereby designate the period December 26, 1949 -- January 2, 1950 as American Legion Tide of Toys Week in South Carolina, and I urge all loyal citizens to participate by donating toys to their local American Legion Post, and to assist the American Legion in making this worthy project a success.

Given under my hand and seal
this 23 day of December, in
the Year of Our Lord, Nine-
teen Hundred and Forty-Nine.

J. Strom Thurmond, Governor