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SOMEHOW, writing about Santa Claus the day after Christmas has a "warm-over" aspect but the truth is, the balance of the story of St. Nicholas (Santa Claus) which was promised for today has nothing whatever to do with Christmas.

St. Nicholas was noted for numerous other activities besides the giving of gifts. In his youthful years he performed a number of miracles. His fame for those amazing feats was even greater than it was for his generosity.

While still a young man, St. Nicholas being a very religious person, decided to make a journey to the Holy Land. It was a long sea voyage from the province of Myra in Asia Minor where he lived.

Shortly after the sailing vessel got out to sea he warned the skipper and all the sailors that a great storm was coming. The sea was calm, the wind light but firm and the sailors doubted, but at his insistence, prepared for a blow. The blow did come and it was terrific.

Later in the voyage—in fact it is variously related that this miracle was performed at least twice—one of the sailors became violently ill and apparently died. St. Nicholas worked over the stricken man and in amazingly short time brought him back to life and complete health.

For these acts, considered miracles by all, St. Nicholas was highly regarded by all sailors. After his death and after he had been made a saint, St. Nicholas was looked to as the patron saint of sailors.

But he was best known as one for his gifts of the three purses of money to the three daughters for their dowries. The sailors, of course, knew of this beneficent also.

So the shopkeepers along the coast and elsewhere displayed above their doors the symbol of St. Nicholas—replicas of three golden purses. Thus did they bid for the patronage of sailors and other admirers of St. Nicholas.

As the centuries wore on, the three purses were simplified in form to three golden balls. It happened that stockholders also became money-lenders. In our day the three golden balls are symbols of money-lending or pawn-brokerage establishments! So, if this legend be correct and it seems to be generally agreed upon by writers of such ancient history, our great Santa Claus is the patron saint of pawn-brokers.

St. Nicholas was buried in the province where he lived. Late to the tenth or early in the eleventh century, Myra was captured and overrun by the heathen Saracens. The Christian people were sorely irked at the thought of the bones of their revered St. Nicholas lying in heathen soil. So in the year 1078 a party of daring seamen landed in the dead of night, near where the saint was buried and stole his bones. The sailors, residents of the town of Bari in Italy, returned the bones of St. Nicholas to Bari where a church was built as a tomb for them. It contains nothing else.

It is said that there is a tomb of St. Nicholas in at least one other Italian city—but the story of the church-tomb at Bari seems to be most generally accepted as accurate.

Editorials on News (Continued from page 1.)

ed the lessons of blitkrieg pretty well.

BRITAIN'S prospects for the immediate future are dark, but there are two encouraging factors.

One is the toughness of the British people themselves. Hitler's constant bombing of London has been intended chiefly to break the morale of the British people. There can be little doubt that he has failed to do that.

The other is the readiness with which the British appear to have learned the new methods of warfare developed by the Germans and relied upon by them to conquer the world.

Britain Told Not To Expect Miracle In Aid From U. S.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—(AP)—Sir Walter Layton, of the ministry of supply told Britain today that "if we hold on through 1941" the volume of United States production of war materials will reach an apex next winter "and is a certainty of ultimate victory."

Sir Walter told the British: "Don't expect a miracle from the United States."

The time element and the difficulty of making America realize fully the "scale of war effort needed" were two factors, he said, which should show the British that the full weight of U. S. armament could not be expected until the late summer of 1941, reaching "avalanche proportions" next winter.

Sir Walter, former member of the League of Nations consultative economic committee and a delegate to the 1927 world economic conference, said America's participation in the right to "overwhelm Germany" made the term "non-belligerent" rather than "neutral" applicable to the United States.

All plans for American aid to Britain, Sir Walter said, must be made on the assumption that the non-belligerent status for the United States will not alter in the next six months.

"Long Time" Required. Evidently seeking to dampen the British belief that a flood of armaments will arrive from the United States next spring, Sir Walter told the press that U. S. war department officials have been planning between July and October, 1940, and indicated it would "take a long time" for these and the British orders to mature.

"America entered the world war in April, 1917, yet the full weight of her armaments program was not felt until the winter of 1918-19," he commented.

He hinted the United States did not "realize fully the scale of armament necessary for the defeat of Germany."

As yet, he said, "no orders have been placed on the scale ultimately required for victory."

Sir Walter, who has just returned from a mission to the United States, said American sentiment against sending troops abroad to fight was "very deep," partly for humanitarian reasons and partly because many Americans felt the United States would be mixing in European affairs in which the nation had no interest.

Negotiations for the ministry of supply, he said, had led to the "financial problem" with which Lord Lothian, British ambassador to Washington, was wrestling when he died.

Lord Lothian died, Sir Walter said, in the belief Great Britain and the United States had "one strategy" in the war. He reported the ambassador aimed his final speech at countering a feeling of depression in the United States over the German bombing of Coventry and other cities.

Sir Walter said this depression had been "diminished" by British successes in the middle east and Greek victories in Albania.

OUT OUR WAY



Chester Morgan Wins Trophy For Lighting Display

The outdoor Christmas lighting display at the Chester Morgan home in Laurewood today was announced as first prize winner in the annual Lions club contest. This attractive and original display was given the unanimous decision of the secret committee of judges, it was announced.

DAILY DEVOTIONS

DR. CHAS. A. EDWARDS. Times of crisis makes many turn to God, only to forget Him again when the immediate danger is past. The battle for peace must be fought in the heart of the individual and thus throughout the community, if it is to be won in the world.

Baby Not Hungry, So Daddy Misses Duty on KRNR

Douglas county radio listeners missed out on several early morning features of station KRNR today just because a baby wasn't hungry. Bud Chandler, engineer and senior operator at the News-Review radio station, who was on assignment this morning for the opening shift, was a very careful man prior to the birth of his infant son.

LETTERS to the Editor

NOTES INSTABILITY OF NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Editor News-Review: Mr. X came home in a tipsy condition. His tie was awry and there was a bruise upon his cheek, but he was happy and full of pep. Mrs. X was unreserved in her disapproval of these things and waxed eloquent in yelling her complaints.

UNUSUAL WOMAN

HORIZONTAL. 1.6 Famous deaf and blind woman. 12 Fragrant smell. 13 Irregular. 14 Upright. 15 To analyze. 16 Folding bed. 17 Preposition. 18 To make lace. 19 Either. 20 Toward. 21 Toupée. 22 Compass point. 23 (abbr.) 24 Interchanges. 25 To leave. 31 Fold of thread. 32 Verifies. 33 Secular. 34 Mesh. 35 Biblical priest. 37 Desert fruit. 38 Gran (abbr.). 40 Male sheep. 42 Old garment. 43 You. 44 Goddess of dawn. 46 Fortification work.

Riddle

RIDDLE, Dec. 26. Miss Florence Moshbar, of the Medford school, arrived here Monday to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moshbar. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Pfaff of Glendale are visiting with relatives here this week. Mrs. Pfaff expects to go to Salt Lake in a few days to consult a specialist for an eye ailment.

BARBS

Mother often spends as much time fending about her figure at home as she does about his at the bank.

A couple of window panes in Indiana show three-month sentences. Long time to see!

Cleveland council wastes dogs buried from found disappearing places. Sounds like you another pet peeve.

A lot of American youths are getting plane and higher education all in one dose.

Christmas Present

MARSHFIELD, Ore.—The stork gave Santa Claus aid in delivering presents here yesterday, leaving Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Graves two daughters.

MARKETING AGREEMENT On Potatoes Proposed

KLAMATH FALLS, Dec. 26.—(AP)—A hearing on a proposed potato marketing agreement was formally requested here by representatives of three Oregon and two California counties.

KRNR Mutual Broadcasting System 1500 Kilocycles

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

- 4:00—Dance Time. 4:15—Ma Perkins, Oxydol, MBS. 4:30—Confessions of a Corsair, MBS. 5:00—Elbert Lascelle, Organist, MBS. 5:15—East-West Football Game Preview, MBS. 5:30—Varieties. 5:45—Cap't Midnight, Ovaltine, MBS. 6:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS. 6:15—Dinner Dance. 6:30—John B. Hughes, MBS. 6:45—Interlude. 6:55—News, Calif. Pacific Utilities. 7:00—Evening Dancant. 7:30—Wytne Williams, Star Blades, MBS. 7:45—Sensational Quizzes, Sensation Cigarettes, MBS. 8:00—Standard Symphony Hour, Standard Oil Co., MBS. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News, MBS. 9:15—Dance Orchestra. 9:30—Fredy Martin's Orchestra, MBS. 10:00—Haven of Rest, MBS. 10:30—Sign Off.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

- 6:45—Eye Opener. 7:00—News, MBS. 7:15—Stuff and Nonsense. 7:40—State and Local News. 7:45—J. M. Judd Says "Good Morning." 7:50—Rhapsody in Wax. 8:00—Breakfast Club, MBS. 8:30—This and That in Melody. 8:45—BBC News, MBS. 9:00—Musical Portraits, MBS. 9:15—Man About Town. 9:30—Let's Play Bridge, MBS. 9:45—Keep Fit to Music, MBS. 10:00—Adventures of Uncle Jimmy, Coppo. 10:15—Old Fashioned Girl, MBS. 10:30—John Family, MBS. 10:45—Bachelor's Children, Old Dutch Cleanser, MBS. 11:00—Friendly Neighbors, Alka Seltzer, MBS. 11:15—Wheel of Fortune. 12:00—Lunchbox, Music. 12:15—Sport News, Dunham Transfer & Truck Sales and Service Co., owned by L. R. Chambers. 12:25—Rhythm at Random. 12:35—Parkinson's Information Exchange. 12:40—Interlude. 12:45—News, Hansen Motor Co. 12:50—News-Review of the Air. 1:00—Henninger's Man on the Street. 1:15—Herbie Holmer's Orchestra, MBS. 1:45—Melody Matinee. 2:00—At Your Command. 2:20—Melodies Modern. 2:45—Musical Matinee, MBS. 3:00—Varieties. 3:15—Music and Music, MBS. 3:30—The Quiet Hour. 4:00—American Family Robinson. 4:15—Ma Perkins, Oxydol, MBS. 4:30—Melody Varieties. 5:00—Low Loyal, MBS. 5:30—U. S. Army Band. 5:45—Cap't. Midnight, Ovaltine, MBS. 6:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., MBS. 6:15—Dinner Music. 6:30—John B. Hughes, MBS. 6:45—Interlude. 6:55—News, Calif. Pacific Utilities. 7:00—Hendrik Willem Van Loon, White Owl Cigars, MBS. 7:15—Mutual Maestros. 7:30—Lois Ranger, MBS. 8:00—Sinfonietta, MBS. 8:30—I Want a Divorce, Teagarden Products, MBS. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News, MBS. 9:15—Dance Orchestra. 9:30—Fredy Martin's Orchestra, MBS. 10:00—Haven of Rest, MBS. 10:30—Sign Off.

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decorated tree with gifts was placed at the front of the room and treats arranged for the children. Most numbers on the program were a song by Mrs. Neva Matthews, a duet by Roberta and Mable Jane Matthews and a recitation by Bobby Matthews.

Leister Jacoby of Jasper has been visiting here the past few days at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. E. Logsdon. Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Jacoby and family came from Jasper Sunday and enjoyed a pre-Christmas turkey dinner at the Logsdon home. George Wilhelm of Junction City was also a guest.

Sutherland

SUTHERLIN, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Grant McCormack and family of Astoria, Ore., are to spend the Christmas holiday with Mr. McCormack's mother, Mrs. Alice McCormack, and other relatives and friends.

Henry Barge, blacksmith at the Lakeview C&N, arrived Saturday evening to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Miss Helen Allen, who is employed in Oakland, Calif., is spending the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends here.

Charles Luchterhand, a member of the marine corps stationed at San Diego, Calif., is spending his days here with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hugh and Mrs. Leonard Harris left Tuesday morning for Portland where they will visit relatives over the Christmas holidays.

John Lamoreaux of Riverdale visited at the Edgar Lamoreaux home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pelland were business visitors in Sutherland Monday.

Miss Shirley Schoss and Ted Schoss of Drain were business visitors at the Dr. H. W. Snook home Sunday.

Mrs. Ray Seabrough is having the house she purchased recently on Second avenue remodeled and expects upon completion of the work to rent the house to friends. Edgar Slack, employed at Vern Hoigaker's service station, is suffering at his home from an attack of the flu. This is the first time in the six years Mr. Slack has been employed at the station that he has been absent from duty due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Snook of Drain spent Sunday at the H. W. Snook home west of town.

Among the boys' home from Camp Murray for Christmas are: Dick Longbrake, Lomley Grove; Wayne Norris, Everett Longbrake; Billy Conner, Steve Prindle and Junior Van Ceyen.

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