

How to Protect Christmas Tree From Fire Peril

AP Features
Look out! Don't celebrate Christmas by setting the house on fire.

Safety councils are issuing warnings of increased fire hazards this Christmas, because of wartime shortages of electrical wiring and replacement parts. Old, frayed and defective wiring may be pressed into service, with dangerous results.

Here are some tips on how to avoid common Yuletide fire hazards:

1. Christmas tree. Keep the tree fresh by standing it in a pan of water. Or flameproof it by sawing off at base at least an inch above original cut and standing it in following solution: 1 pound ammonium sulphate to 1 1/2 pints of water. Keep tree in cool place until it has absorbed most of the solution. Degree of fire resistance depends on amount of solution absorbed.
 2. Wiring. Inspect carefully and repair or discard if defective.
 3. Rubbish. Dispose of wrappings and empty boxes as soon as possible.
 4. Candles. Don't use 'em on the Christmas tree!
- And well before Christmas home fire extinguishers should be put in order.

Edgar L. Masters, Poet, Battling Pneumonia

NEW YORK, Dec. 13—(AP)—The condition of Edgar Lee Masters, 74-year-old poet and writer suffering from pneumonia and bronchial asthma, was reported as "good" by hospital authorities today.

Masters is the author of

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Si Dillard, right, Dodge dealer in Roseburg, discusses postwar automobile possibilities with Forest H. Akers, vice president and director of sales of the Dodge division of Chrysler corporation, at a recent meeting of Oregon Dodge dealers. According to Akers, the nation's automobile manufacturer will be turning out automobiles four months after the termination of their war contracts if those in authority will ride herd on the proper shortcuts and accelerate the postwar reconversion jobs. "When I say we can start delivering cars four months after the war jobs are finished, I make that prediction on the premise that our 1600 vendors can keep pace with us," Akers went on. "The first postwar auto will be, substantially and in the main, the 1942 model, while any major changes in tools and dies would mean a delay of at least six months."

"Spoon River Anthology," "Lincoln: the Man," and many other works.

Gov. Dewey Tops G. O. P. Field, Says Alf M. Landon

NEW YORK, Dec. 13—(AP)—Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York is "the outstanding possibility" for the republican presidential nomination next year, in the opinion of Alf M. Landon, 1936 republican candidate for president.

Told what the former Kansas governor had said, Dewey smiled and replied: "Thank you very much."

"Comment?"

"No comment," answered Dewey as he shook his head twice.

Declaring that a presidential

candidate "should make himself crystal clear," Landon called upon Wendell L. Willkie yesterday for a frank statement as to just how he differs with Landon's views regarding the republican party.

Replying to a statement by the 1940 republican presidential candidate that if Landon's recent speeches represent the thinking of the party, some one other than Willkie should be the 1944 leader, Landon said:

"Mr. Willkie has made himself entirely clear just where he differs with me. I'd welcome a million people would welcome—a frank statement. We must settle that issue right this time. Let's not wisecrack about it."

"A presidential candidate ought to make himself crystal clear. He also ought to make it clear as a crystal on what ticket he aims to run."

"Little Fellow" Periled
Landon said that the present administration "thinks in terms of public works while business is thinking of full employment for every one."

He said the trend in the capital from the beginning of the new deal had been aimed at elimination of the "little fellow" in business.

"If you wonder why a government against big business should aim to eliminate the little fellow, you must remember that when the little fellow is eliminated then it becomes a case of private monopoly against government monopoly and the people must and should choose government monopoly," he said.

Legal Snag Bars Bonus in Whiskey

DETROIT, Dec. 13—(AP)—Michigan stockholders of the Tom Moore Distillery Co. face difficulties before they may gain possession of the 27 gallons of whiskey per share the company plans to distribute as a dividend on Dec. 21.

A temporary injunction restraining the company from distributing the liquor dividend was dissolved in circuit court here Monday.

Alfred W. Lindbloom, Detroit counsel for the company, said the dividend would be in the form of negotiable certificates. A \$5 a gallon federal tax would apply at the warehouse, but before any of the whiskey may be distributed in Michigan approval must be obtained from the Michigan liquor control commission.

The commission, only legal wholesaler of liquor in Michigan, will insist that the whiskey be bottled, according to Felix H. H. Flynn, a member of the commission, and the state's 46 per cent markup will be collected. The state liquor law makes no provision for importation of barrel of whiskey.

Evacuated Japs' Return to Pacific Coast Is Opposed

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13—(AP)—Return of evacuated Japanese to the Pacific coast during the war, will bring "violence and bloodshed," says a California state senate committee which studied last month's riotous conditions at Tule Lake center for disloyal Japanese.

In a telegram to President Roosevelt, Secretary of War Stimson and the California delegation, the committee said that it "fears and knows that the relocation in this state of the Japanese during the war will inevitably lead to violence and bloodshed."

The committee found that the administration of the Tule Lake segregation center under the war relocation administration "lacked firmness and was utterly devoid of any definite policy," and repeated its recommendation that the army retain control of the center.

The committee expressed belief that the trouble at Tule Lake could have been averted by a definite policy of firmness and that if the army had been in charge "these demonstrations and incidents would not have occurred."

The report concerning the camp administration said: "The policy of handling the situation and the camp was that of conciliation, of granting one request after another, and that as soon as one request was granted there were always further demands made. There was no end to it."

"The administration of the camp lacked firmness and was utterly devoid of any definite policy. No order or directive could be given to any internee. He could simply be requested to cooperate through a Japanese spokesman."

School Heads Discuss Schedule for B League

The Douglas County High School Principals association held its regular monthly meeting Saturday afternoon at Roseburg junior high school.

The meeting was presided over by the vice-president, R. R. Brand, Roseburg, due to the absence of the president, Chester Cook of Glide. The next meeting will be held January 15 at Roseburg. About ten Douglas county schools were represented.

Following a professional discussion and business session, the principals and coaches of the B league schools met to determine the athletic schedule for basketball and girls' volleyball, which will be resumed this year under the sponsorship of the principals' association. Those schools participating in the B league tournament games this year will include Reedsport, Elkton, Drain, Yoncalla, Oakland and Myrtle Creek with the championship games between the four top schools being played February 18-19 at the Roseburg high school.

Strike at New Jersey Plane Plant Settled

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 11—(AP)—Production of aviation engines has been resumed at the five north New Jersey plants of the Wright Aeronautical corporation, a company spokesman said today, after settlement of an unauthorized strike at conferences attended by Lt. Gen. William S. Knudsen.

Allen Wisenfield, representing the New Jersey state board of mediation, said "The parties, agreed to submit the questions raised by the union . . . to the

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National War Labor Board

The strike started Wednesday in a foundry where workers walked out in protest against the company's retention of an assistant supervisor who was objectionable to them.

HOW ABOUT IT, OPA?

NEW YORK, Dec. 11—(AP)—The customer ordered chicken chow mein—without onions. The meal was satisfactory. The check read:

"Chow mein—75 cents.
"No onions—5 cents.
"Total—80 cents."
Asked to explain, the Chinese waiter said:

"With onion easy, without onion chef get mixed up, so it cents more without."

Glide

GLIDE, Dec. 13—Mrs. John Barney is working in the personnel department in the office of the Kaiser shipyard in Portland.

Mrs. Elsie Rhoten of Salem, Oregon, visited over Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Adeline Cannon.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith have returned from Wheeler Oregon, where they have both been undergoing medical treatment.

Mrs. George Gurney has gone to San Francisco where she will visit her husband, who is stationed there with the U. S. navy.

The Baptist Aid and Mission society will hold their Christmas party at the church Wednesday,

December 15. Those attending are asked to bring an inexpensive gift for the Christmas tree.

Nell Talcott has returned from Portland where he enlisted in the army. He will have a 21-day furlough before beginning service.

Vern Childers has returned from San Francisco where he was called on business.

The hot lunch project began this year on December 6 and will continue for two or three months. The project consists of preparing and serving one hot dish to the school children by the mothers who serve two at a time. The value of this hot dish at noon, leaders report, cannot be over-estimated, especially for those youngsters who have to leave home early in the morning and do not get home until late in the evening.

Because of the large school enrollment it is hoped by the sponsors that more mothers will volunteer to help out. This year the group is confronted with the gas shortage, but if enough people will offer to help there will be no hardship on anyone, sponsors state.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Talcott have received word from their son Watson, who is serving with the navy at Pisco, Wash., that he underwent a throat operation there on Thanksgiving day.

Dr. Frank Galbreath has returned to his position as doctor on a U. S. transport after spending a short time here visiting his wife and small daughter.

Because war time necessitated the children at the end of the bus routes leaving home before day-

light, the schedule has been changed and the buses will pick the children up 30 minutes later during the winter months.

John Alexander is improving after being ill at his home for several days.

Sgt. Dale Blakely writes to relatives here that because of illness he has been forced to give up the advanced training course which he was taking at a base in Australia. He is now in a hospital in Australia where his com-

pany was returned following combat duty in New Guinea.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Helms and family have returned from a trip to Lebanon, Oregon.

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OPA Head Explains Why the Government Is Giving

FREE RED POINTS for Used Cooking Fats

"Behind this plan, effective December 13th, is one of our country's most urgent wartime needs," says Mr. Bowles. "Every patriotic American wife and mother is asked to read this statement."



CHESTER BOWLES
Administrator
Office of Price Administration

"WARS are fought with gunpowder. Gunpowder is made from glycerine. Glycerine can only be made from fats.

"Behind those few words lies one of your country's most serious needs. Fats used to be imported in huge quantities from islands of the Far East. Those islands are now in enemy hands. And the government wants the used fats you can save in your kitchen to make mountains of ammunition, medicines, and other battlefield needs.

"Not a Premium on Patriotism"

"These are the facts as they have been pointed out to OPA by the War Food Administration. And they have led to this new plan: 'Two red ration points free when you turn in a pound of used fat to your butcher.'

"This is not a premium on patriotism. It is a way of bringing home to all women the urgent need of kitchen fats to make gunpowder. Moreover, it seems only just to return points for this service, because fats cost ration stamps. Your butcher has been informed of this ruling which went into effect on December 13th."

Chester Bowles

How the Plan Will Work

It's as simple as it sounds. All you have to do is fill up a tin can with used cooking fat and take it to your butcher. You don't need to use

a special kind of can—any kind will do. And you don't need to have any specified amount of fat; take it to your butcher whenever the can is full. He will estimate the weight of the tin and give you, cash in hand, *two red points* for every pound of used fat you deliver.

The government does not ask for these fats until you've got the cooking good out of them. But when that is done, every spoonful is wanted.

Would it surprise you to learn that *just one single tablespoon* of fat—just the little bit that is usually washed out of your broilers and roasting pans and skillets—will make *five machine gun bullets*? Or enough smallpox vaccines for *seventy-three men*?

Answers to Housewives' Questions

It doesn't matter whether the fat is burned or black—it still makes *crystal-clear glycerine*.

It doesn't matter whether it's pan drippings, fat from a soup, used shortening, cooking oils, or melted solid fat.

And, finally, it doesn't matter how little you save each day. Every drop is precious.

Saving these fats and turning them in is not an easy job. But it's a lot easier than doing the things our men must do on the battle fronts. Is it too much for them to expect that the wives and mothers of America will perform this task for them—to help put into their hands what they need to win?

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