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1941.

Our thoughts turn to peace on earth and good will toward all men during this Christmas season. This thought has been expressed many times during the last ten days. Above all we hope that war will be ended in 1941 and a peace made between the warring nations that will not bring on another war. We know of no more appropriate wish than to wish for lasting peace.

EXPANDING HEMISPHERE DEFENSES.

Eight U. S. geologists will be hard at work all this winter in Latin-American countries studying possible new sources of minerals vital to hemisphere defense. One will make a three months' study of Brazil's manganese; others will survey chromite and manganese in Cuba; tin, tungsten and antimony in Bolivia.

The results of their studies will be available to agencies of the U. S. government in negotiating to aid new industrial developments. In many of these countries there are known to be untapped deposits of vital minerals. Their development will be a prosperity factor for the countries concerned, and a safety factor for the United States and all the western hemisphere.

Spending \$25,000 on this investigation is likely to repay itself many times in assuring that development is undertaken only in fields where it is worth while and in discovery of new possibilities for defense of the western world with its own resources.

A GOOD MEMORY SAVES TROUBLE

Selective service authorities are now clamping down on men who thought complying with registration requirements have since either failed to return questionnaires or have changed addresses without notifying their respective draft boards.

It is probable that most if not all of these offenses have been due to oversight, negligence or misunderstandings, but the selective service act is presumed to be vital to the interests of the nation and must, therefore, be strictly enforced. Its enforcement is no deed of persecution, for its scope is universal and it knows no favorites, making exceptions of few and limited groups and then only in its final stages, involving actual military service.

Failure to return a questionnaire or furnish a new address in no way exempts a registrant from service, and in fact merely renders him a fugitive who will be sooner or later apprehended. Everyone who becomes thus burdened is needlessly unfortunate and has himself alone to blame, though he may logically insist upon Hitler as a partner in his misfortune since the latter is responsible for the whole thing.

This is all just a reminder to young men who have registered for selective service. Just don't forget to tell your draft board when you change your place of residence and don't forget to fill out and return your questionnaire.

An active memory just now can save you a lot of trouble.

Albany Democrat-Herald

SMOKE SCREEN

To the Editor: In these critical times, multiply your citizen's influence you can help save our form of government. Our democracy, the greatest heritage any peoples in the world ever enjoyed placed the power of government in our hands as individual citizens.

But self-government by citizens in a democracy can work successfully only if citizens are informed and willing to make real effort and sacrifice. Democracy with freedom is the most satisfying form of government to the human spirit but the hardest to maintain.

We must educate ourselves on national issues, exercise our rights, fulfill our duties to the nation, or our democracy will fail, and men to congress who will refuse to be rubber stamps and work for the best interests of all the people and not the administrations chosen few.

We have drifted a long way from the land of the free when a president sitting in the White House can nominate himself to a

third term and then nominate his vice president and have enough people feeding at the government trough to elect them, and then they tell us we cannot have a dictator in this country. I ask what have we had in the White House the past eight years if we haven't had a dictator and what will it be in the next four years if things go on as they have in the past four years?

There are more elections coming so I ask you to go to the city library and get a book entitled "Smoke Screen," written by Samuel B. Pettengill, a life-long democrat, eight years a congressman from Indiana. It will surely be worth your while.

W. E. MASTERS.

Big Tom at Oxford.

Big Ben is in London, but Big Tom is the Oxford curfew bell which gives 101 strokes every night at five past nine when the college gates are closed. It weighs 7½ tons and is 700 years old.

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

CITY AND FARM

CITY AND COUNTRY ARE BUDDIES, IN AND OUT OF UNIFORM—FARM AND RANCH—STORE AND FACTORY—UNLESS EACH WERE ABLE TO BUY THE OTHER'S FOOD OR GOODS, WE'D GO BACK TO THE DARK AGES.



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Coming Clean! . . . by Squier



BATHING

WAS ONCE A SOCIAL EVENT... IN THE MIDDLE AGES A BATH WAS A CROSS BETWEEN A RECEPTION AND A PICNIC. HOSTS AND HOSTESSES ENTERTAINED AT BATH PARTIES—REFRESHMENTS AND ALL!

A BATH TUB KEPT UNDER A TRAP DOOR IN THE DINING ROOM WAS ONE OF THE MODERN IMPROVEMENTS CITED IN COOKE'S LADIES BOOK FOR 1854.

ENGLISHMEN OF KING EDWARD'S DAY WHO BATHED AS OFTEN AS ONCE A WEEK WERE CONSIDERED FOOLS.

TODAY A PERSON WHO OMITS A DAILY BATH IS NOT CONSIDERED "

BEN FRANKLIN OWNED A QUEER CONTRAPTION CALLED A SLIPPER BATH. THE SHOE SHAPED GADGET WAS ONE OF THE FIRST BATH TUBS EVER SEEN IN THIS COUNTRY.

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE.

I see where Utah has the smartest people in the U.S.A. Anyway, some psychologist says so.

I don't want to take any glory or honor away from Utah—I got nothing against Utah—but psychologists, you know them. Anything you want to prove, pro or con, you get a psychologist.

The president of a big school in Los Angeles has some ideas on psychology. He upsets the apple cart of Mr. Freud. The "unspanked generation" is what the Los Angeles president calls the young folks growin' up now. He has several thousand of 'em on his hands. He knows what he is talking about. The mamas and the papas who have been sending their off-spring to his school, they can ponder. Mr. Freud was quite a person. But even at that, most young folks will turn out O.K. in spite of their bringing up.

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"The new division manager is well known here," the local manager said. "He has had wide experience in petroleum merchandising and knows all phases of it thoroughly. I'm sure he will be well liked by all with whom Shell has dealings here."

Mr. McDonald previously was sales manager of the Portland division, so is well acquainted with business in the Northwest. He has made a fine record as sales manager of the Arizona division in Phoenix and as division manager of the Oakland, California, division, the post he leaves to return to Portland. He succeeds Clark C. Van Fleet, resigned.

Silence Is Golden
Revenue Minister Gibson, who went through the whole session of parliament in Ontario without making a speech, got the \$12,452,000 estimate for his department adopted in the commons in about one minute.

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LET'S BEGIN 41.

"Let's begin Fortny-one with-out a one!"

Urging Oregon drivers and pedestrians to exercise care in order to avoid traffic accidents on New Year's eve and on the following day, Earl Snell, secretary of state, suggests this slogan.

Last year, four persons were killed in traffic accidents in Oregon on the last day of December. This year, Snell and others working in the interest of traffic safety in Oregon hope they can reduce this toll so that the state can start the new year with a clean slate.

In view of the fact that statistics show that pedestrians are the heaviest sufferers during the holiday period, the traffic safety division has distributed several thousand pedestrian-driver cards, designed to acquaint both drivers and pedestrians with the situation regarding pedestrian accidents in this state and containing suggestions for avoiding such accidents.

These cards have been sent to every city and town in Oregon with a population of over 200 persons. They are being distributed by members of local traffic safety councils, service clubs and other civic organizations interested in traffic safety, police and county sheriff officials. Those who receive these cards are urged to give them thoughtful consideration and to remember the safety suggestions they emphasize.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced that applications will be received at its Washington office for the positions listed below until the closing dates specified. The salary in each case is subject to a 3½ percent retirement deduction.

Junior calculating machine operator, \$1,440 a year. Applicants will be given a practical test which will be performed on a calculating machine. They must have reached their eighteenth but must not have passed their fifty-third birthday. Closing date January 20, 1941, from Colorado and states westward.

Metallurgical engineer and metallurgist, various grades with salaries ranging from \$5,600 to \$3,200 a year. Persons are needed to fill positions in the Bureau of Mines in connection with the National defense program. Applicants must have completed a 4-year college course with major study in certain scientific subjects, and have had responsible experience in metallurgy or metallurgical engineering. Substitution of appro-

private graduate study may be made for part or for the associate grade—all of this experience. Qualified persons are urged to apply at once. Applicants must not have passed their sixtieth birthday. Applications will be rated as received until December 31, 1941.

Full information as to the requirements for these examinations and application forms, may be obtained at the local post office.

NEW GLASS PONTIAC TO BE SHOWN HERE

A new glass Pontiac en route up the coast from San Francisco will be shown here shortly, Arthur Martin of the Martin Motors announced here today. The new car containing many novel features was originally scheduled to be shown in five or six Oregon towns but Cottage Grove was not included. Due to the persuasive powers of Mr. Martin, however, officials placed Cottage Grove on the list of stopping places. Exact date of the appearance of the car was not announced.

Worthy of mention also is the Christmas spirit exhibited at Martin Motors. A Santa Claus and a lighted Christmas tree and a new Pontiac wrapped in cellophane with the Christmas colors are among the holiday decorations shown here.

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