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ON THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

(As related by St. Luke)
And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.
And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he was in the house and lineage of David) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife being great with child. And so it was while they were there the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And there were in the same country shepherds, abiding in the field keeping watch over their flock by night.
And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shown about them: and they were sore afraid.
And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be unto all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.
And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:
Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men!

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us go even unto Bethlehem, and see the thing which is come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us.
And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph and the Babe lying in a manger.
And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told concerning this child.
And all that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all those things and pondered them in her heart.

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Still the Prayer the World Needs



Peace On Earth - Good Will To Men

Washington Column
By Peter Edson
Adolf Berle's convention on civil aviation adopted at Chicago after six weeks of conferences with representatives of 50-odd nations seems headed for trouble in the senate, willy nilly.

Terrebonne
Terrebonne, Dec. 23 (Special)—Mrs. Lila Knorr and Vick Butler left for Seattle to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Suratt.

U. S. to Pay for State's Gravel
Portland, Ore., Dec. 23 (UP)—The federal government will pay \$10,000 to three Oregon men as compensation for the loss of 10,000 cubic yards of stockpiled sand and gravel, according to a judgment handed down by Federal Judge Claude McCulloch.

Midstate Duo on Aviation Council
Two Central Oregon men are members of the state directorate of the newly formed aviation council, an organization to promote post-war aviation in Oregon.

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Wartime Christmas Toys Give British Children Big Thrill

By Robert L. Frey
London, (UP)—Father Christmas is having difficulty filling his sack of toys to rthis sixth wartime Christmas in Britain, but he is stretching his slim supplies of wood, cloth, cardboard and paint to the utmost.

Adults, who may be a bit weary, are viewing the first toy displays with jaundiced eye, lamenting the high prices, the crudely made building blocks, flimsy doll houses and the undisciplined cardboard going into many toys.

What the older people are saying is that they don't see any toys that look as if they are likely to last out the period between Christmas and New Year's day. They say they are rickety, shoddy, ill-made and obviously over-priced.

Never Had 'Real' Ones
If Billy, aged six, gets a tiny blackboard whose surface is not quite smooth because it bears the grain of the wood from which it was made, he will not notice that, never having had a real one of slate. Anyway it would spoil the Christmas fun to try to explain to Bill that all the slate is needed now for repairing tile roofs blown open to wintry skies by Hitler's V-1's.

Set of Blocks \$1.75
The wooden toys have a not-quite finished look, edges are a little rough, grains not smoothly planed down. A small set of painted wooden building blocks costs \$1.75. A tiny wooden gun shooting a missile about the size of a matchstick, \$1.15. For \$2.00 there is a small cottage made of heavy cardboard, its vivid blue windows and red door-trim beckoning cheerfully but not drawing attention from the ill-joined walls.

Chess and checker games are made entirely of cardboard; there are slits in the "board" to hold the pieces. A box full of odd-shaped pieces of colored cardboard is sold as a game of design-patterns.

It is well that little Billy and Betty never knew those gorgeously filled top-shops of old. As it is, they are happily dragging mother

Midnight Mass Plans Announced

At St. Francis Catholic church, Christmas day will be ushered in with the traditional midnight mass, and there will be special music. The midnight services Sunday night will start with a procession.

Other masses scheduled for Christmas day at St. Francis church follow: 7:30 a.m., low mass; 11 a.m., low mass. There will be benediction after the 11 o'clock mass.

Father Edmund Hyland, pastor, has announced that confessions will be heard Christmas eve from 3 to 6 p.m. and from 7:30 to 10 p.m. Sunday services will be held at the usual hours.

Salem Pioneer Dies
Salem, Ore., Dec. 23 (UP)—Funeral services were pending today for C. S. Hamilton, proprietor of one of Salem's largest furniture stores, and a pioneer merchant here, who died at a Salem hospital yesterday after an illness of several months.

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Advertisement for Bend Furniture Co. featuring a circular graphic with stars and the text 'A SALUTE TO YOU AT CHRISTMAS'. Includes contact information: Phone 271 (Central Oregon's Home Furnishers) Bend.

Advertisement for Owl Pharmacy with the slogan 'ONE FRIEND TO ANOTHER'. Includes contact information: Staff of OWL PHARMACY.

Advertisement for E. G. McCABE with the slogan 'GOOD CHEER AT CHRISTMASTIME'. Includes contact information: Distributor Union Oil Products, Phone 76-J.

Advertisement for George Childs Hardware Co. with the slogan 'MERRY CHRISTMAS'. Includes contact information: Bond and Minnesota Phone 88.

Advertisement for Fountain Service with the slogan 'FOUNTAIN SERVICE'. Includes contact information: LUNCHEONS HOME-MADE PIES SPORTSMEN'S HEADQUARTERS DOUTHIT'S.

Comic strip titled 'FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS' by Merrill Rosser. Includes dialogue: 'BY MORNIN' TH' FOREST FIRE WILL HAVE COOLED OFF AND WE CAN GET OUTA HERE!'