

Army Asks Folks To Be Careful With Fire

Residents of the West today were called upon by the Army to further support the war effort during the nation's fourth war-time Christmas season by preventing the traditional Yule tree from inadvertently aiding the enemy.

Major General William E. Shedd, commanding general of the Ninth Service Command, from his Fort Douglas, Utah, headquarters, urged all householders in the eight Western States to safeguard lives and property and prevent the holiday season from becoming one of tragedy by flame-proofing all Christmas tree decorations.

In addition, he declared, in view of the non-manufacture of tree light-strings for a considerable time, persons should be certain that all electrical fixtures are properly installed and in good condition.

That decorations are not allowed to come in contact with light globes.

General Shedd, in extending the season's greetings to all military personnel stationed within the command and civilian residents of the far Western states, suggested that the command safety director's recommendation for fire-proofing trees be followed to assure a safe holiday season.

The flame-proofing solution may be made by mixing 10 ounces of borax powder and 10 ounces of boric acid in one gallon of hot water.

This solution, which will not affect color and is non-poisonous and will not promote decay, is a suitable treatment for fabrics and other decorative materials, as well as Christmas trees, which are not exposed to the weather. It may be applied either by dipping or spraying.

NO LEAVES FOR GOV. EMPLOYEES

Mindful of the annual strain on public transportation facilities during the holiday period before and after Christmas, the Army has taken steps to prevent further burdening buses, trains and planes it was announced today at Fort Douglas.

"All government agencies have been requested to refrain, except in cases of extreme emergency, from granting annual leave to employees, where travel would be involved, between December 15 and January 8," said Major General William E. Shedd, commanding general.

Curtailed of all government business travel during this period has been requested. So far as is possible, without impairment of the war effort, the calling of meetings involving travel by government employees during this period is being avoided.

No increase in the usual maximum of 15 per cent of military personnel to be on furlough at one time has been authorized. Such leaves are granted so that they will not begin on either December 24 or 30.

BLESSED EVENTS

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Sharp of Holland, a baby girl, Sunday, December 17.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Starks of Cave Junction, Tuesday, December 19, a baby boy.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cross of Kerby, at Lathrop maternity home in Grants Pass, Monday, December 18 at 12:40 a. m., a daughter, Heen Vivian, weight six pounds, one ounce.

Mrs. Sally Dawson of Portland arrived for a few days visit at the home of Mrs. Millie Trefethen.



Turkey and cranberry sauce and plum pudding are symbols of the lighter side of Christmas. We want you to have these, too, this Yule season of 1944, plus all the other joys that give Christmas-time its transcendent glory.

We welcome this opportunity to extend to each and all our heartiest greetings.

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*Jingle bells, jingle bells,
Jingle all the way,
O! what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open shay!*

We have much to be thankful for this Christmas, and we want to express our thanks to you.

May this Christmas season of 1944 be an especially happy one for you.

CAVE CITY THEATER

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Roberts, Owners
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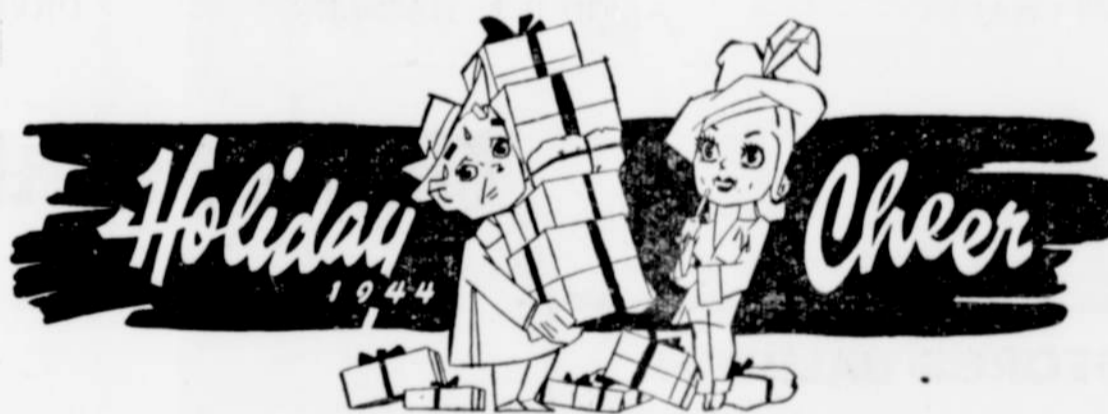


★ At Christmas perhaps more than at any other time in the year we realize what it means to be an American—to worship as we please, to go about our daily pursuits unfettered, to take time out to pay homage to the beautiful

myth of Santa Claus. ★ And at Christmas the members of this organization realize particularly what your patronage has meant to us, and we take this opportunity to thank you while wishing you all a most Merry Christmas.

SCOTT'S MARKET

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THE confusion, the bustle and indecision of the holidays is now over. The last gift has finally been selected, the last package wrapped, tagged and duly ribboned. Now let's settle down to the real enjoyment of Christmas.



We want you to get just what you want and to be just as happy as you can be. We want you to be happier this Christmas of 1944 than you have ever been before. As for us, we are more grateful to you this Christmas than ever before, for it marks a peak in our pleasant relations. We could not allow this important occasion to slip by without wishing you all a

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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