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INDUSTRIAL WAR OUR STANDARDS

All over the world the real war is industrial war, which has no armistice and never stops. France and Germany have combined in a gigantic dye trust, good for both countries, because it will make money, and France and Germany, having interests in common, may forget about fighting.

We are developing big units here. The second and third biggest chain stores in the United States, Kroger and Kress are States, Kroger and Kress, are planning a \$250,000,000 merger. They do a business of \$100,000,000 a year. And Julius Rosenwald, all by himself, does as much

This country urged to recognize the Russian government, because we do business with Russia, says no: Russia must accept our standards before we recognize Russia. The next step would be to let Russia know what our standards are. Are they represented by our dominating corporations, by our lynchings, by our bootlegging, by some of our recent elections to the senate for cash, by our inability to do anything but talk when powerful men steal a government's oil supply?

What are our standards, exactly?

Mrs. Taylor, talented Los Angeles musician, says she sings the wrong kind of songs, which accounts for our crime wave. Such songs as "Red Hot Mama," say this lady "drive youth to crime." Young people sing the foolish songs, and young people fill the modern prisons.

Saxophones are harmless. Jazz properly used is all right, songs about love are all right, and drive nobody to crime, if they are modest. Mrs. Taylor writes some herself. It is "Red Hot Mama" affection that does the harm.

No wonder Stock Exchange seats go up. Mr. Simmons, president of Wall Street's Stock Exchange, says there is no limit, except the sky, to New York's financial future. Securities listed on the exchange were worth on September first eighty-two thousand six-hundred and sixty-seven million dollars, and have gone up many millions since.

Those millions go back and forth over the ticker from buyer to seller, and the patient broker gets his little one-eighth. A seat on the exchange ought to be worth \$1,000,000.

The Canadian Pacific railroad, the stock which went climbing a few days ago, is operated on a country with population smaller than that within forty miles of New York's city hall. Why makes Wall Street pay such high prices for a Canadian railroad? How do you explain the Canadian government's ability to operate Canada's national railroads, national telegraph and telephone systems, well with a profit?

Mrs. C. H. Bryant of Alida street has been very miserable with lagrippe for several weeks.

Mrs. C. Kramer of East Main street has returned to her home after spending two weeks in Seattle where she was called by the death of her mother.

Misses Mell Carter and Ella McClood, teachers in the junior high school, are expected to arrive in this city Sunday from Modesto, California, where they have been spending the Christmas vacation with friends.

Miss Venita Fountaine, practical teacher in the Lincoln school will return to this city Saturday. Miss Fountaine has been visiting her parents near Eugene.

Misses Nora Ward and Clara Anderson, who have been visiting relatives near Portland during the holiday season, will return to Ashland Sunday to be in readiness for teaching in January on Monday.

ROBBERS FAIL IN ATTEMPT GET AWAY

Two Young Men Driving Stolen Chrysler Rob Medford Restaurant

HELD WOLF CREEK

Men at Wolf Creek Tavern are Successful in Stopping Robbers

Two young men between the ages of twenty five and thirty driving a stolen Chrysler roadster held up and robbed the Diamond Cafe of Medford about four o'clock yesterday afternoon, and were arrested at Wolf Creek a few hours later while making a desperate attempt to make their get away.

The cafe is run by a Japanese and his wife, and at about five minutes of four the men entered the eating establishment locked the proprietor and his wife in an adjoining room, and made away with all of the cash in sight an amount thought to have been about one hundred dollars.

The Japanese soon made his escape and ran across to the fire station where he reported the robbery. The police immediately notified surrounding cities, and Jimmy Douglas and Don Hayes of the Wolf Creek Tavern, one of the men being a deputy sheriff were successful in stopping the men as they came through about eight o'clock that evening.

The men were returned to Medford and placed in the county jail. The car they were driving was stolen from Bakersfield, California. Local police were on the job immediately after the crime was committed and stopped all cars coming this way, in an effort to apprehend the two men.

WINNER ANNOUNCED IN WHITE'S CONTEST

McNair Brothers, won first prize for the closest guess as to the length of time the candle in the window of the White Jewelry store would burn, while Mrs. Joseph L. Smith, 36 Second street won the second prize. The exact length of time required was 99 hours, 49 minutes and forty-five seconds. Mr. McNairs' guess was just a minute and fifteen seconds off.

Some of the guesses were unusually close, according to Mr. White while some missed it as much as two hundred hours. The contest was a novel one and attracted much attention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hardy Have Christmas Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hardy and children delightfully entertained their relatives with a beautifully served Christmas dinner at their home on Fifth street on Christmas Day. Two tall, red lighted tapers in silver candlesticks at either side of a centerpiece of real holly, original red and green nut baskets, amber-colored goblets and dessert served from beautiful amber-colored sherbet glasses and plates, made an unusually attractive table. The big turkey carved and served by the hospitable host was probably the most interesting part of the delicious meal. The guests were the P. R. Hardy family, the A. V. Hardy family, the Clifton Gass family and Mrs. W. E. Hardy.

Mr. and Mrs. Russel Cripe spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Cripe's uncle and family in Medford.

ASHLAND COUPLE ARE MARRIED FIFTY YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wertz Observe Fifteenth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wertz Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jammertal, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Worthington whose wedding anniversaries come just four days apart, have celebrated together every year, except one, for the last seven years. Last Friday the three couples celebrated their wedding anniversaries at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Worthington, with Mr. and Mrs. Wertz guests of honor because this day commemorated their "Golden Wedding."

A sumptuous dinner was served at 12:20. After the table had been cleared for the last course, the wedding cake was brought in; over the top was placed a gold gilded stand holding 50 candles; these the bride and groom of 50 years lighted; Mrs. Wertz cut the cake, which was then served with pineapple ice cream, salted almonds, home made candy, fruit cake and coffee.

Others present besides the three couples to help celebrate this joyous occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. John Olsen and Miss Bertha Pease.

Business Girls' Club

Miss Elsie Alexander delightfully entertained the members of the Business Girls' club Thursday evening, December 22, at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. D. McRae, on the Boulevard.

This was the annual Christmas party of the club and during the evening Santa Claus with his little helper, Barbara Kay, took from the beautiful shimmering Christmas tree many clever and dainty gifts which were distributed among the girls.

The McRae home was most beautiful in its Christmas color scheme of red and green. Elaborate refreshments were served late in the evening at an attractively arranged table, bearing out the Christmas scheme with small Santa Claus place cards and favors, and a large cotton snowman landing the final festive touch to the merry scene.

Miss Alexander's guests were the following: Misses Ruth Osmun, Emma Jenkins, Georgie Coffee, Ethel Shrum, Calla Biegel, Gertrude Biede, Helene Biede, Gladys Applegate, Barbara Kay, Leta Walker, Marie Walker and Madame H. C. Stock, Charlotte Biegel, Dan Kay and J. D. McRae.

Sing Carols

The combined groups of the Ashland Camp Fire girls, chaperoned by Misses Ethel Reid and Clara Atterbury, the guardians, delighted the shut-ins and sick ones of the city early Sunday morning by singing Christmas carols. The girls sang for the pleasure of the guests at the Lithia and Ashland hotels also.

Three O'clock Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dickey of Allison street were the delightful host and hostess at a three o'clock Christmas dinner on Christmas day.

The Dickey home was most beautiful with the decorations of the Yuletide season. Covers were laid for six people at a table glowing with sprays of holly, red candles and a centerpiece of poinsettias. Mr. and Mrs. Dickey's guests were: J. W. Lusher of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jordan and John Dickey. After dinner the evening was pleasantly spent in music and conversation.

Mr. Hal McNair and son Jamie left Monday for Los Angeles for an extended visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Emil Peil left Monday evening for Portland where she will spend a number of days visiting friends.

Mrs. L. Pinkerton left Monday for Portland, where she will spend several weeks with friends.

Many Original Greeting Cards Received Here

Holiday greeting cards are becoming more and more popular in extending the season's best wishes among friends, be they far away or near at home. Many original and attractive cards were received in Ashland this Christmas, with messages ranging from sedateness to merry informality. Perhaps the most welcome card begins with "Pay to the Order Of", but there were many others just as welcome.

"Heine Schmitz regrets to announce that there ain't no Santa Claus." That inscription done in old English on a sheet of black-bordered stationery and inclosed in a black-bordered envelope obviously signifying mourning, was one of the many truly individual Christmas cards received in Ashland last week.

One "Scotch" greeting card received in Ashland which created numerous laughs, read: "Wishing

you a Merry Christmas for 1927, 1928 and 1929.

Many persons, are without doubt like the sender of the card who expressed her inability to find a suitable new way of expressing her Christmas wish. Her friends received a yellow card with a cartoon in green printed upon it, and the sender depicted printing upon a sign-board the words "Gosh, but it's tough tryin' to think up new ways to say Merry Christmas." And on a log beside her sat a fat baby reindeer musing, "I have thought so oft," while nearby stands a silly black cat with a shiny white face and a long black tail holding a piece of mistletoe above her head in asstance.

The Christmas sentiment depicted in Christmas greeting cards set forth the common bonds of friendship, helpfulness and loyalty, which are as much to be preferred to mankind as ability, success and money.

VALUABLE PLAYER ON TRIP TO SEE GAME

Kenneth Madden is Guest of Battery B on Trip to Pasadena

Mr. A. A. Madden, son of Kenneth and Horace Dunn left Monday morning for Pasadena where they will attend the football game played between Pittsburg and Stanford on New Year's Day.

Kenneth won this trip by being voted the most valuable man on the Gizzly High School team of the Ashland high school. The National Guards were responsible for the pleasure of this honor which was bestowed upon young Madden. Mr. Madden is motoring down to the southern city with the two boys and they will stop in San Francisco enroute for a visit with Mr. Madden's brother and family.

Entertains

Mr. and Mrs. Larkin Deer of Third street were the delightful host and hostess at a Christmas dinner entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kluth and two children Robert and Lorraine, Miss Clara Huck and Mr. John Parr.

Enjoy Family Reunion

The immediate members of the Frank Merrill family enjoyed a pleasant family reunion at the Frank Merrill residence on the Boulevard Christmas day. The usual Christmas decorations were used in the Merrill home and the table was beautiful with its holiday color scheme. Members present were: Mr. and Mrs. Guy Good, and children, Thelma and Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Baird and two daughters Patricia and Kathleen, Mr. E. T. Merrill, Miss Helen Merrill and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Merrill.

Christmas Dinner at Home of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Burdic

Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Burdic, Jr., entertained at a family dinner on Christmas day, having as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Johnson, and son Otis; Mr. Hubert Thorne of Mount Vernon, Washington; Mrs. Beth Finneran and Billie Bryant, of Sanger, California; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Burdic, Sr. of Grants Pass, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paulserud Entertain

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Paulserud entertained at Christmas dinner on Monday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John Finneran of Cottage Grove. Dinner was served at seven o'clock at the Lithia Springs Hotel at a table beautifully arranged with a centerpiece of Chrysanthemums. After dinner the guests went to the Paulserud home on Oak street where the evening was spent, playing bridge. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paulserud were Mr. and Mrs. John Finneran, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Malone, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Read.

CHRISTMAS ENJOYED AT FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

Church is Beautifully Decorated For Special Holiday Program

The Full Gospel Sunday school entertained a packed house Friday evening when they gave their Christmas program. All were loud in their praise of the beautiful decorated rooms and everybody felt a real spiritual uplift from the solos, choruses and the colorful play read by little Mildred Mars and pantomimed by the children and teachers of the primary department. The manger scene depicted by Miss Bernice McCormack, Miss Ruth Newbury, Mrs. Pearl Peery and Baby Shirley Peery was one of great beauty. A background of stars with Christmas star shining out brighter than the rest, together with the beautiful lights for the pantomime was made possible through the efforts of the Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Bert Hinthorne, who furnished special lighting. The songs, "Silent Night," and "The Star of the East" coming from a distance were impressive. A Christmas tree gladdened the hearts of the little folks and there were gifts for every one.

Entertains Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Homes delightfully entertained at their pleasant country home in the Bellview district with an elaborate dinner at noon, on Christmas day. This was strictly a family affair, and after the dinner the guests spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Tucker and enjoyed a theatre party afterwards. Those who enjoyed this happy occasion were, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Carter of Medford, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Tucker and the host and hostess Mr. and Mrs. Fred Homes.

Christmas Party at Mrs. Seilaff's Kindergarten

The Christmas party given by Mrs. Nellie Seilaff to the pupils of her kindergarten was a very successful and merry one, and eighteen little children enjoyed the Christmas tree and visit from Santa Claus. Santa Claus from Enders store brought candy and nuts, and each one received several presents on the Christmas tree. The best present of all was the gift from Mayor Pierce, who has made it possible for the children to have an indoor playground for use during the winter weather. This week during vacation men at work fixing the playground which will have sand tables, swings and other things for the exercise of little muscles when the weather is too stormy to be outside. The playground made possible by Mayor Pierce, will be ready for the children at the beginning of their next term, which will be January third.

MUST ORDER LICENSES BEFORE JANUARY

Traffic Officer Explains Law Governing Issuing of New Licenses

If you haven't your 1928 automobile license by January first, you had better have a receipt to show that it has been ordered, is a warning by Traffic Officer C. P. Talent this morning.

The state officer explained that this year no temporary licenses will be issued by the sheriff's office except to foreign cars or new ones. People living in this state and having a 1927 license need but to fill in an application blank giving the certificate of title number, mail it with a money order or bank draft to the secretary of state.

Officers locally will not make an arrest where a car owner is in a position to show that the new license plates have been ordered. Both Chief of Police McNabb and Traffic Officer Talent have declared their willingness to assist any one in filling out the necessary blanks.

Delightful Dinner

One of the most delightful dinner parties of the Christmas season occurred at the home of Mrs. Charlotte Biegel on Morton street Christmas day with a four course turkey dinner, served at six o'clock to the following people: Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stock, Misses Helen and Gertrude Biede, Miss Calla Biegel, Messrs. Milton and Elmer Biegel and the hostesses Mrs. Charlotte Biegel.

The Biegel home bore the usual Christmas decorations, and the long dining room table was beautiful with its gleaming crystal and silver, its delicate centerpiece consisting of a huge french bouquet with delicate streamers leading to each place, and lighted candles at either end of the table cast a mellow glow over the whole scene.

After dining the guests and members of the family spent the evening in music and conversation.

To Have Christmas Party

At the meeting of Hope Rebekah Lodge to be this evening at the I. O. O. F. Hall, the members will enjoy a Christmas party after the business of lodge has been dispensed with. A Christmas tree with presents for every one will be distributed to the members by "Santa Claus," a satisfying supper will be spread in the dining room, and the evening will be spent in games and dancing.

The committee in charge of the affair is: Mrs. Aileen Kay, chairman, Mrs. Nellie Madden, Mrs. Anna Long, Mrs. Ava McCoy, Mrs. Rana Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs.

Delphian Meeting Postponed

The Delphian Chapter meeting which was scheduled to occur at the Lithia Springs hotel this afternoon, has been postponed until the latter part of January, the exact date not being known; however the Delphians will hold group meetings on January the 10th. "Pre-Shakespearean Drama will be the subject for the afternoon's study. The following ladies of Dr. Mattie Shaw's group will present these study topics of authors: "George Peele" by Mrs. Emil Peil, "Robert Green," by Mrs. A. H. Pracht; "Tragic Drama of Kydd," by Mrs. G. H. Yeo; "Christopher Marlow," by Mrs. John Fuller, "Dr. Faustus," by Mrs. G. W. Gregg. This group will meet at the residence of Mrs. John Fuller on North Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tomlinson will leave Thursday morning for Portland where they will spend several weeks vacation. They will make the trip by car.

Mr. and Mrs. John Finneran of Cottage Grove, who have been spending the holidays in Ashland with relatives, will leave tomorrow morning for Portland where they will spend the remainder of their vacation. Mr. Finneran will with the Standard Oil Co. Tank at Cottage Grove.

MAN KILLS BROTHER AND THEN HIMSELF

Tragedy Occurs in Mountainous Region of Siskiyou County

OCCURS CHRISTMAS

Frank Fawcett Takes own Life After Shooting Brother

A murder and a suicide was the fate of two men well known in Ashland and Southern Oregon on Christmas day when Frank Fawcett shot and killed his brother Ray and then when officers arrived to make an arrest turned the gun upon himself, nearly blowing his head off.

But few details leading up to the double tragedy are known, but according to Chief of Police McNabb, the slain man had been living alone in a cabin near the Pennsylvania mine in northern Siskiyou county. Two other brothers were residing close by and it is thought that some trouble had arisen between the three that led to the Christmas day shooting.

After Ray had been killed the slayer rushed to the mine office where the only telephone in that section of the country was located and informed his brother that if he attempted to get in he would shoot him. The brother made his way ten miles to another phone where he notified Sheriff A. F. Caulkins of Siskiyou county. The sheriff set out for the scene of the murder and passing through Medford picked up Sheriff Ralph Jennings. The men had to make their way into the mine on horseback and just as they rode up to the mine office, a shot was heard. They rushed in only to find that the slayer was a suicide.

According to local officers it was a difficult job to remove the two bodies. They were taken to the coroners office at Medford.

Campfire Girls Party

The Camp Fire girls of the Lohapwo tribe enjoyed a very pleasant Christmas party Thursday afternoon December 22, at the home of their guardian Miss Ethel Reid, on East Main street. After the regular business of the afternoon had been disposed of the girls spent several hours trimming Christmas tree which were given to the shut-ins of the city. During the afternoon a delightful program was given by the girls, some of the numbers being original, most cleverly composed and given. Late in the afternoon, Miss Reid assisted by the assistant guardian Miss Clara Atterbury, served most dainty and satisfying refreshments to the following girls: Alma Keaton, Ellen Merriman, Betty Most, Doris Goss, Irene Eicher and Muriel Guthbertson.

Christmas and Birthday Party

The Hardy apartments was the scene of a happy affair Saturday evening when the Arthur Hardy family entertained a group of relatives and friends at their home, with a combined Christmas and birthday party, it being the host's birthday. The rooms were decorated with Christmas greens. Large vases of Oregon grape and laurel berries tastefully arranged, chandeliers hung with mistletoe and beautifully trimmed Christmas tree, together with the softly shaded lights, made a very effective decorative arrangement. The evening was spent in conversation and gaiety over the contents of various Christmas packages. A dainty lunch, including a huge birthday cake, was served at the close of the evening.