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EDITORIALS

WHY WAIT FOR WAR?

Almost every night incendiary bombs are dropped on England. Any one of these bombs might ignite a whole city. Yet the English have kept the fire destruction caused by such bombs down to the minimum. They have done that largely because all citizens feel themselves responsible for fire control. Great Britain, in fighting for the life of the Empire, has found time to train its people in fire prevention and fire control.

Will it take a war, with all its bloodshed and horror, to make us Americans conscious of our responsibility for our own fire problems? According to the National Board of Fire Underwriters, now celebrating its 75th anniversary, America is a backward nation, as regards fire prevention and control. Our average citizen has little sense of responsibility for conditions in his community which may cause the destruction of lives and property. He does not realize that if he and his fellow countrymen took proper precautions against fire, the United States would save enough money to build a Panama Canal every two years.

England, in the midst of war, has roused its citizens to the danger and the needless expense of fire. Can we Americans be roused in time of peace? This is a challenge that all of us must accept—and it is a challenge which is doubly important now, when

Two Correct Ways to Make Iced Coffee



FIRST STEP IN MAKING good iced coffee is to make good hot coffee. One way is to make regular-strength coffee, pour it over ice when chilled. For this method use 1 heaping tablespoon of coffee for each 3-4 measuring cup (6 ounces) of water.



POUR COFFEE into an enamel, glass, china or earthenware container, cover and allow to cool. Coffee may be chilled in the refrigerator, if desired. To serve, pour chilled coffee into glasses half-filled with ice.



SECOND METHOD is to make extra-strength coffee using 3 level tablespoons of coffee to each 3-4 measuring cup (6 ounces) of water. Pour hot, freshly-made coffee into tall glasses filled with ice. Serve with sugar and plain or whipped cream.

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Story of African Rubber Plantation

(Continued from Last Week)

Speaking of Christmas, our boys have asked me every day for weeks how many days it is until Christmas. Now doesn't that remind you of how we used to heckle you when the Christmas season rolled around. They are just like kids when it comes to things like that. You have to scold them and correct them like you would children, yet they are adults and have families. It is difficult to realize that Johnny, our steward boy, has a wife and children, (woman and pickins) yet around the house he seems like a child who must be instructed and scolded when he makes a mistake. George, the cook, is quite the man about town with the native girls out here. He smokes what's left of Massa's cigarettes after Massa has finished them and put them out. (He doesn't tell us this but when they empty the ash trays we see them salvage all the long cigarette butts which Joe may have left in the tray and carefully put them away for future reference). George also smokes a pipe and so does our washman, Meyer. (He is the new washman and really is a dandy). Instead of using matches to light their pipes they come to the kitchen stove and reach in with their finger and pick

up a live coal and place it on the top of the bowl of the pipe and they are all set for a nice smoke. They seem to have less feeling than white people for it doesn't bother them in the least to handle hot coals in their hands. At the factory, they walk barefooted, of course, around in the acid which runs from the rubber and it doesn't even daunt them a bit. The soles of their feet are as thick as the soles on my shoes or thicker. It is funny to see the native women smoke a pipe and most of them do if they can afford to get any tobacco for it. They take the pipe out of their mouth and the next minute they have spit about four yards away. All in a split second. Boy, I sure laughed the first time I saw Johnny's wife do that. She is quite cute for a black woman and usually wears a beautiful pair of native gold earrings which I almost envy her having.

When we "dash" our boys anything they are so tickled with it so we have decided to make a nice Christmas for them by dashing them some presents. I asked them what they wanted for Christmas and Boy, Oh, Boy, that's all they were waiting for. Johnny said the house servants of the Harbel Hills had had a meeting and decided if their white bossa gave them money for Christmas they

would all buy a Christmas suit for "play" at the camps. Johnny and his brother, Mr. Brown (he is a big shot among natives and is therefore called Mr.) are going to take the orders for the suits and do the shopping. Talk about being prepared really ahead of us that deal. The boys are buying Christmas colors of red for the trousers, green, blue, yellow and all bright colors for the shirts and then a big sack of some-kind. These are called Christmas suits and they will wear them when Christmas eve is celebrated by the natives. Every night now the drums are beating in a wild and furious rhythm and the "Devils" come out and dance in the camps. We are planning on going down and watch them ourselves before the season closes as many white people go and stand in the distance and watch this truly savage and weird custom of the uncivilized peoples of this land. We are perfectly safe for to them the white man is somewhat sacred and must never be harmed. A white woman could walk alone into the midst of all this and never need have a moment's fear for they would never harm her. That is a consolation to know anyway. White men go alone back into the jungles among the cannibals and head hunters and are never bothered because the natives back there hold the white man in the same awe and will never harm him.

(To Be Continued)

Shower Held for Mrs. Clinton Ayers

Mrs. Bernard Matthews and Mrs. W. McCulloch were hostesses Thursday evening June 12 at a miscellaneous shower for Mrs. Clinton Ayers. About 26 friends were present, including Miss Alice Harker of Ashland, and Misses Mary Bonney and Kathleen Hammick of Jacksonville. Shirley was made to "earn" her gifts by darning a sock; telling how to bake a johnny-cake and biscuits; and to tell how old-fires were built. The gifts were brought out by Miss Bernadine McCulloch and Miss Kathleen Hammick in a large basket decorated in two shades of green. Many lovely gifts were received, including a lovely pair of embroidered pillowslips sent by the Howard Extension Unit.

The evening was spent in playing games with Mrs. Hattie Fleaser of Medford acting as master of ceremonies. Cake and coffee were served.

Chauncey Florey has bought the Cowley house and Jim Cummings is tearing down the barn.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON

In the Matter of the Estate of Cora E. Lewis, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, Kenneth G. Denman, has filed his final account as administrator of the above estate with the County Court of said County, and that the Court has fixed the 27th day of June, 1941, at the hour of 10:00 A. M. of said day, and the County Judge's office in the County Court-house in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, as the time and place respectively for the hearing of objections, if any there be, to the said final account, and you are hereby notified to file objections, if any you have, to the said final account on or before the said time fixed for hearing.

Dated this 29th day of May, 1941.
Kenneth G. Denman,
Administrator.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOREN FOWLER, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, Administratrix of the estate of the above named decedent, and all persons having claims

against said estate are hereby notified to present same, duly verified as provided by law, to the undersigned at the office of G. W. Neilson, Attorney, in the Court House, at Medford, Oregon, within six months from the first publication of this notice. All persons owing said estate are directed to make payment to said administratrix.

Dated and first published this 19th day of June, 1941.

AMELIA FOWLER
Administratrix of the estate of Loren Fowler, Deceased.

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