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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Today being Christmas, we lay aside our labors, and mingle with our neighbors, and fill an allotted space by clipping an editorial from the esteemed New York Herald-Tribune, entitled "General Issue Sentiment", that has to do with Yule greetings, and efficiency born of the exigencies of war. So here goes "When the telegraph companies invented the 'canned' greeting messages they gave rise to endless, if somewhat indifferent, humor. The messages may be discontinued because of war conditions; but as the Army adapts the device for a more serious purpose the humor takes on a sudden poignancy. The War Department, in its grimly official way, has issued a list of 103 messages, greetings and tender sentiments which may be sent by number (but "not more than three of the authorized fixed texts" in any one cablegram) to and from the armed forces overseas. The list makes up a striking lexicon of the emotions, a reduction of the human heart to its least common denominator, a kind of basic English, as it were, of the feelings—or of those, at any rate, not calculated to aid the enemy or lower morale.

It is grouped into six sections, covering the elemental concerns of humanity in war: "Correspondence" (dealing with letters and packages sent, received, not received, desired, and so on), "Greetings," "Health," "Promotion," "Money" and "Congratulations." Each has its fascinations; perhaps "Greetings," the largest group, is also the most arresting. The War Department, issuing sentiment as efficiently as it does G. I. clothing or tent pegs, authorizes not only "kisses" (No. 42), but also "loves and kisses" (No. 43) and "fondlest love and kisses" (No. 44). The soldier, or his loved one at home, is also provided with a plain "darling" (No. 30), obviously for general purposes of combination with not more than two other phrases. "Good luck" and "keep smiling" are both authorized, but there is nothing to convey the notion of "too bad, better luck next time."

Preaches Nights And Works In Mines Days

Pittsburgh—(U.P.)—A coal miner by day, a minister of the Gospel by night.

That's the five-day week schedule of the Rev. Edward R. Truran, pastor and founder of the Brent Interdenominational church, near Grove City, and a motorman at the Sharon No. 2 mine of National Mining Co., a U. S. Steel Corp. subsidiary.

On Saturdays and Sundays, the minister-coal miner devotes all his time to preaching and directing other congregational activity.

Although only 37, Dr. Truran has been employed in the same mine for two decades. Ten years ago he established the Brent Mission, and has devoted most of his spare time in the intervening years to the building of a church.

Lake Worth, Fla. (U.P.)—After a "short conference" with an FBI agent, Lewis Barnes, 37, who said he wanted "no part of this war," has registered with Selective Service officials. Police Chief G. S. Sanders said he picked up Barnes for investigation and the man admitted not signing for the draft.

Americans Render Homage To Prince of Peace While Efforts All Bent on War

By United Press

America observed the birthday of the Prince of Peace today in a world at war.

Its accelerated wartime tempo slowed temporarily for the Christmas prayers and celebration, although there was no respite for thousands of its sons at battle station on land and sea around the globe.

It was unlike any Christmas the nation had ever observed before. A year ago, 18 days after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the country was only beginning the complete conversion of its peacetime economy to war. This year the entire nation was organized for war, tightening its belt after a final Christmas buying spree which stripped stores of many articles which cannot be replaced until the war ends. Millions of men in the armed services could not rejoin their families for the holiday and choked transportation facilities prevented many other family reunions.

SOME TAKE BRIEF RESPIRE

Most war factories which kept operating at topspeed through other holidays halted their production lines to give their workers a well-earned rest. But some continued working. At Melrose Park, Ill., the Buick aviation plant notified part of its force to report for work after the United Automobile Workers Union protested against company plans for a three-day shutdown.

Even with war workers at home, there were vacant chairs at many Christmas dinner tables. Approximately 1,000,000 soldiers are stationed overseas and thousands of sailors and marines are in service outside the United States. And some 4,000,000 other men are stationed at camps within the country far from their own homes.

Wherever American troops were on duty behind the battle lines they paused for the holiday observance. Many of them went to the traditional Christmas dinner with turkey and the trimming in army mess halls. In China, Alaska and other farflung posts, soldiers gathered to sing carols around Christmas trees erected to remind them of homes where they spent earlier Christmas holidays and where they hope to spend the next one. From those homes, they received millions of greetings and gifts delivered by the army, fulfilling its pledge to handle the tremendous load of Christmas mail.

AMERICAN TROOPS CELEBRATE

American troops began celebrating Christmas at 8 a. m. (EWT) yesterday on the Fiji Islands across the international date line. As the earth turned it brought Christmas to others in Australia, China, India, Africa, the British Isles, the Americas, Hawaii and finally Samoa where midnight arrived at 8 a. m. (EWT) today.

Army and navy chaplains presided at Christmas services in the field and aboard ships and in army posts and naval stations on all continents. Entertainment programs were arranged wherever troops could gather and radio programs were beamed to them from the United States.

President Roosevelt opened the observance for both civilians and service men with a Christmas Eve broadcast from the White House last night. He said he could not wish his listeners a "Merry Christmas" because so many soldiers and sailors were on combat duty but that he could express his belief that "this is a happier Christmas than last year in the sense that the forces of darkness stand against us with less confidence in the success of their evil ways."



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mitting the acquisition of one mill after another.

Opponents of the plan insist there is no occasion to establish another government agency to finance the small sawmills; that if a small operator needs money it is obtainable from the Small War Plants corporation. It is not, claim these opponents, a lack of financial backing that is causing the lumber shortage but a shortage of manpower, for despite the order freezing lumber workers to their jobs many escape to other industries, such as shipyards. Forest service offers no new solution to the labor problem; is in the same boat as present operators on that point.

TRUMAN committee, which is investigating almost everything these days, delved into the forest service plan; was impressed by the lumber shortage angle and gave a sort of left-handed approval, although technically not making any recommendation. Thirty national and regional producers and distributors of lumber insist that the program is a scheme to reorganize and regiment the industry under the guise of war relief. Several members of the Truman committee share this view, which may be the reason the committee did not go overboard for the forest service idea. Among the committee members who have had some of the objections is Senator Wallgren of Washington.

As this is written, the forest service document is on the desk of the president for approval. It has been there for a long time, but the assumption is strong that when he reaches it the report will be approved. War production board says the secretary of agriculture worked on a draft of the proposal six months ago, WPB being quite enthusiastic over the plan.

THE executive of a private utility company in the northwest has sent to Brazil searching for vital war materials. His selection was made because he formerly lived there and speaks the Portuguese language. He has spent months on airplanes and mule-back in the jungles and mountain tops arranging for mining operations to get out material of importance to every bomber and fighter plane. The government knows he is doing what a defeated congressman, an invaluable service, but this is government ownership advocate says in a speech.

"One of Ebasco's (Electric Bond and Share Co.) agents, an Oregon private utility official who has fought these Bonneville measures, has received his medal of award for obstructive tactics by appointment as a special state department emissary to Brazil. In Oregon I recently heard the propaganda that this Brazil appointment was indicative of the fact that the administration thought that Ebasco was right in its previous positions, and that the delegation that fathered Bonneville was wrong."

FOOD stamps, which were a life-saver for producers in removing surplus commodities, will soon become extinct. Need of the stamps to dispose of surplus no longer exists as there is a market for everything that can be eaten. The surplus will hereafter go overseas. Needy families who received the stamps are now working.

JAPS SAY YANKS IN RAID ON WAKE

Berlin, Dec. 25—(German broadcast recorded by United Press in New York)—The official DNB agency in a Tokyo dispatch today quoted an Imperial Japanese headquarters communiqué as saying that American planes attacked Japanese-held Wake Island Wednesday.

The communiqué asserted that a dozen planes approached the island from the direction of Midway Island. Japanese troops, it was said, shot down four and damaged six of the raiders and "the remainder turned tail."

The Americans started fires at four points, killed one person and injured four more, the communiqué said, adding "no other losses were reported."

(In Washington the navy had no comment on the Axis report.)

CLEVELAND DADS DOUBLE IN BRASS

Cleveland (U.P.)—Several of Cleveland's city council members have turned to war jobs—both as their contribution to the war effort and to supplement their \$3,000-a-year salary from the city.

But a full night of labor on the swing shift, seven days a week, takes a lot out of a man who has duties at city hall and errands and other obligations for ward constituents, most of them are beginning to report.

Without exception, the councilmen said what they wanted was a split shift of four hours a day, an arrangement that would leave them enough stamina for legislative activities.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.

Signed letters, pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

WHEN DENTISTS DISAGREE

Writes a dentist: Your remarks headed "Don't Wait for Shrinking" are appreciated and well timed. I meet up with "Ben Told" often, in spite of the fact that I have been practicing the immediate denture system for about 8 years, with perfect satisfaction, even to the point of having

ing business men lose their teeth at 9 a. m. and proceed to work wearing their new ones without one hour's interruption, and mothers having their teeth out and going for two years before members of their family became aware of it.

You say it keeps these structures healthy and functioning etc. . . . besides that it causes the tissues to form inside the denture and to heal in that relation so that they retain a much better shape than they would if left to absorb and disintegrate or "shrink" without form or shape.

(....., D.D.S.)

Some portion of the article this dentist refers to evidently appeared in a Chicago newspaper, for shortly after that date the same paper printed a "Protest by Dentists". It seemed that the Chicago Dental Society was up in arms about the new-fangled immediate denture service and the society's secretary wrote the paper as follows:

"A new law was reached when Dr. Brady sought to give advice regarding immediate denture service. Every dentist knows that most of the statements made in this article are woefully inaccurate and grossly misleading."

"He states, for example, 'Competent dentists install plates, not temporary plates, but the plates the patient will wear permanently, immediately after extraction of the teeth.' This simply is not the truth . . ."

By now, I hope, even Chicago dentists have heard the news. Seriously, a professor in a Chicago Dental School says in reply to an inquiry, October 28, 1942:

"It is quite true that what Dr. Brady refers to in his column as 'immediate denture

service, is frequently possible and even advisable . . ."

Maybe it will assuage the fury of the inept dental society if I inform the public that the plate or other denture installed immediately after extraction does not always fit perfectly without some adjustments, or retouching, so to speak. But nevertheless immediate denture service is a boon for which well informed people are glad to pay and of course expect to pay more than the old-fashioned plan of going toothless for weeks or months costs.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Resignation
We hoped you might comment on the suggestions of Mr. Kaiser that the American Medical Association demand the resignation of your ubiquitous friend Fishbein. (H. H. C.)

Answer—Possibly too remote. It would be more feasible at present if Fishbein were to demand resignation of the American Medical Association.

Friend told me nutmeg oil stimulates the flow of the digestive juices. Would a small quantity of nutmeg taken daily be injurious in any way? (M. E. F.)

Answer—The effects of nutmeg, cinnamon, cloves, pepper and other aromatic condiments are much the same. For occasional use to impart flavor or piquancy to a dish they are all right, promote good digestion. For regular, habitual or excessive indulgence they are harmful—irritating to stomach, intestine, genito-urinary tract. For information about food values, minerals, vitamins, calories, acids and alkaline foods, etc., read "Feeder's Digest"—for copy send twenty-five cents and self-addressed stamped envelope.

Osteopathy and Physician
Kindly tell me what is the difference between "Osteopath and Surgeon" and "Physician and Surgeon"—these are signs on some doctors' offices. (D. A. S.)

Answer—Osteopathy is a system of therapeutics based on the theory that diseases are due chiefly to mechanical derangement, especially displacement of bones, as the vertebrae, with resulting pressure on nerves and blood vessels, etc. But many osteopathic physicians use much the same medicines, serums, sedatives, stimulants, antiseptics, etc., as regular physicians do. As a matter of economy, common sense and public welfare, all prospective practitioners of the healing art should be required to have adequate basic training and be licensed by the state as just physicians, leaving to the physician's judgment the method or type of treatment he deems best in each case.

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Friend Confesses Attack on Mother

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 25—(U.P.)—Mrs. Margaret Sharon O'Dea Wallace, 26, has confessed that she threw Mrs. Inez MacLam over an 80-foot cliff because she wanted to claim the MacLam baby

as her own, Sheriff's Capt. A. Blake Mason said today.

Mrs. Wallace, who was arrested this week, previously had admitted kidnapping Mrs. MacLam's three children and abandoning them at Los Angeles, but denied that she had attacked the 90-pound mother.

HARVEST OF 1942 SET NEW RECORD, INVENTORY SHOWS

Production 14 Per Cent Over Year Before—No Hunger Next Year, Is Pledge

By Fred Bailey

United Press staff correspondent Washington, Dec. 25.—(U.P.)—The new food administration took stock today of a bountiful harvest and found the nation's larder filled with a record food supply.

The inventory of foods, feeds and fibres disclosed that 1942 production was 14 percent above last year and 12 percent above the previous record of 1937. Added to reserve supplies this gave the nation a 12 to 18 months supply of most foods.

Americans almost alone among all the peoples of the world today loaded their Christmas dinner tables with good things to eat—virtually unrestricted by rationing.

No Hunger, Pledge

For the coming year Food Administrator Claude R. Wickard gave this pledge: "No one will need to go hungry. America will continue to be the best fed nation in the world."

The nation's farmers, by prodigious efforts and aided by the most favorable crop weather they have ever known, have made good President Roosevelt's pledge to make America "the larder of democracy."

But, food officials cautioned, the record crops are cause for thanks, not for publication. Despite enormous supplies on hand demands for foods have increased and there will not be enough of all foods for everyone to indulge in unlimited table luxuries.

This probably will be the last Christmas until the war ends that housewives will have almost unrestricted choice in preparing the holiday feast. Rationing is scheduled to cut the shopping list before another Christmas.

To already rationed sugar and coffee will be added meats, civilian supplies of meats will be almost a third under the demand. Fats and oils, including butter, lard and vegetable shortenings, are on the list to be rationed.

Rate Of Tooth Decay Is Revealed Through Examining Of Saliva

Chicago (U.P.)—A recent dental research discovery will enable your dentist to chart your rate of tooth decay—a new aid in determining necessary treatment, according to Dr. Marshall L. Snyder of the University of Michigan, writing in the Journal of the American Dental Association.

Saliva tests were conducted



Described by the FBI as the chief assistant to the leader of Mankind United, George Gouverneur Ashwell, above, is shown in San Francisco, where he was arrested on charges of conspiracy to violate the nation's sedition laws.

for two years with 66 children. The tests were based on the established theory that there is a direct relation between the numbers of lactobacilli in the saliva and tooth decay.

Salivary specimens were obtained by having the children chew on paraffin tablets. The specimens were then cultured and the color changes produced in a selective agar medium. Research was devoted to correlating laboratory finding in simple colorimetric saliva tests with clinical evidence of decay activity, according to Dr. Snyder.

Clinical examinations of the children's teeth were checked against the color changes in the medium and the study proved to be 90 per cent correct, Dr. Snyder said.

Dr. Snyder declared that the chief advantages of the colorimetric saliva technic is its simplicity, rapidity, and accuracy, which allow the early determination of decay activity.

Names of 24 Liberty ships, submitted by school children, winners in the national salvage campaign, and approved by the Maritime Commission, include 3

PRESIDENT AND WAR SECRETARY SEND GREETING

Officers and Men of Camp White Receive Christmas Messages Sent All Forces

From President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Henry L. Stimson, secretary of war, officers and men stationed at Camp White have received Christmas greetings.

The president, in his message, said:

"Happily the star of Christmas again shines brightly in a world black with war and hate. Never has mankind yearned more for what that star signifies—for peace and honor to men of good will. The way we must travel is yet long.

"As you go hopefully forward into the new year you can be sustained by the thought that you have the most precious gift which is in the power of your countrymen to bestow—their affection and greeting to every one of you."

Secretary Stimson's message follows:

"In the year now drawing to a close your efforts have brought new honor to American arms. You have met the enemy on many fronts. He has tested not only your courage but your military skill, and your conduct in battle has been an inspiration to a grateful nation. All this I have in mind as I send you my Christmas greeting. Because of your example we may approach this Christmas season with a firm confidence in final victory. To your fortitude we may believe that the star of Christmas will once more shine hopefully over a peaceful world.

"HENRY L. STIMSON, Secretary of War."

presidents, 5 U. S. senators, 3 frontiersmen, 3 famous Indians and 2 fliers—Colin P. Kelly and Amelia Earhart.

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Isidore Winkleman

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