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The First Christmas As Told By St. Luke

We saw in the news dispatches the other day where it was decided that the war was the biggest news item for the year of 1950. This might well be so, but the biggest and most important news item that ever was recorded happened nearly two thousand years ago. It is an account of the first Christmas as told by St. Luke. At this time when the civilized nations of the world are striving for peace, only to find that there is no peace, it is well for all of us to read the following account of "The First Christmas."

And it came to pass that in those days there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that the whole world should be enrolled.

This enrolling was first made by Cyrinus, the governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, everyone into his own city.

And Joseph went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his espoused wife, who was with child.

And it came to pass, that when they were there, her days were accomplished, that she should be delivered and she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped Him up in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds watching and keeping the night watches over their flock. And behold an angel of the Lord stood by them and the brightness of God shone round about them and they feared with a great fear.

And the angel said to them: Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people.

For, this day, is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David. And this shall be a sign unto you. You shall find the Infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."

And it came to pass, after the angels departed from them into Heaven, the shepherds said one to another, let us go over to Bethlehem and let us see this word that is come to pass, which the Lord has showed to us.

And they came with haste and they found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in the manger.

And seeing, they understood of the word that had been spoken to them concerning this Child. And all that heard, wondered and at those things that were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these words, pondering them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God, for all the things that had been heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

Now turning to the second chapter of St. Matthew we read what this great Apostle has to say about the origin of "The First Christmas."

When Jesus therefore was born in Bethlehem of Juda, in the days of King Herod, behold, there came Wise Men from the east to Jerusalem.

Saying, "Where is He that is born king of the Jews?" For we have seen His star in the east and are come to adore Him. And King Herod hearing this was troubled and all Jerusalem with him.

And assembling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where Christ should be born.

And they said to him, in Bethlehem of Juda, for so it is written by the prophet.

And thou Bethlehem the land of Juda are not the least among the princes of Juda, for out of thee shall come forth the captain that shall rule my people Israel.

Then Herod, privately calling the Wise Men, learned diligently of them the time of the star which appeared to them and sending them into Bethlehem said, "Go and diligently inquire after the Child and when you have found Him, bring me word again, that I also may come and adore Him."

Who having heard the king went their way and behold the star which they had seen in the east, went before them, until it came and stood over where the Child was and seeing the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And entering into the house, they found the Child with Mary, his mother and falling down, they adored Him and opening their treasures they offered Him gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh.

And having received an answer in sleep that they should not return to Herod, they went back another way into their own country.

Hope Mauls Monument 29-21

The Hope Yellow Jackets continued their winning way at Hope on Saturday night, Dec. 16 by outscoring Monument 29-21 after trailing the entire first half and most of the third quarter. The Yellow Jacket trailed at the end of the first quarter 8-5 and at the half were trailing 14-11. By the end of the third quarter, the Yellow Jackets had pulled to a 17-15 lead. The Hope five won going away in the final period. Kent Terry led the scoring with 10 points with Lynn Harrison hitting for 7. Glenn Harrison scoring 6, C. Forrister 4 and R. Wood 2. Only six men saw action for Hope the entire game.

Carlsbad Cavemen Repeat Hope 41-32

The Carlsbad Cavemen won a hard-fought game from the Hope Yellow Jackets at Hope on Tuesday, Dec. 19 after trailing early in the game. The Yellow Jackets jumped to an early lead of 9-4 at the end of the first quarter. The Cavemen pulled to a 15-14 lead at half time. The Cavemen held a 2-point lead by the end of the three-quarter mark by a score of 27-25.

In the final period the Cavemen pulled away from the Hope five and won going away. Only five men saw action for Hope during the entire game which was close all the way until the final few minutes of the game. Lynn Harrison led the Hope attack by scoring 9 points, Clarence Forrister and Glenn Harrison both scored 7 each with Kent Terry scoring 6 and D. Sanders 3.

Pork Leyva led the Cavemen on the boards and in scoring both by hitting for 13 points. Mahaffey and Smith scored 8 points each for the Cavemen.

The Hope Yellow Jacket now have a season record of six games won and two lost in eight games played. The Hope cagers will see action during the holidays by playing in the Artesia four-team tournament on Dec. 28 in Artesia.

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Grade Basket Squad

The grade basketball squad have played three games so far this season and after taking a trouncing from the Hagerman five in the opener, the boys have settled down and played a better brand of ball in winning the last two games. Dec. 15, we journeyed to Lake Arthur with the A squad and took the opening game by a score of 30 to 24. Bobbie Rex Seeley was high point man with 17. Glen Smith tallied for 6. Trent Prudencio 5 and Bill Crockett 2. Saturday the boys were hosts to the Artesia grade team and after a closely fought battle, came out the victor by a scant two points. The final score being 21 to 19. Trent Prudencio took scoring honors with 8. He was closely followed by Bobbie Rex Seeley with 6 points. Floyd Bryant collected 4 and Bill Crockett 3 for the total. Glen Smith failed to make the scoring column, but gave a stellar performance as guard.

Hope Defeats Lake Arthur

Hope Yellow Jackets defeated Lake Arthur last Friday, Dec. 15 at Lake Arthur by a score of 42-31. The Yellow Jackets took an early lead which stood at 14-4 at the end of the first quarter. The reserves saw action most of the remainder of the game until the final quarter when Lake Arthur pulled to within six points of the Yellow Jackets.

Clarence Forrister, Hope forward, led the scoring with 15 points with Kent Terry scoring 14. Lynn Harrison scored 3, Glenn Harrison 2, Robert Wood 3, D. Jones 3, E. Lee 2.

The score at the half was 16-14 in favor of Hope and at the three-quarter mark it stood at 31-25 Hope. The Hope grade team won the preliminary over the Lake Arthur grade five by a score of 28-24 in a hotly contested game.

Hope News

REMEMBER—Merit Feeds get best results. McCaw Hatchery, 13th and Grand, Artesia. 8-10-11

Mr. and Mrs. Meador from Artesia visited friends in Hope Sunday.

Henry Coffin and Buz Essex returned last week from Lower California where they enjoyed a few days fishing. Evidently they had good luck from the smiles on their faces when they tell about the size and number of their catch.

Jess Anderson took out a load of cement to the ranch Wednesday. He is making preparation for building a new house. He has already constructed a new barn and garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cole are making plans to entertain a large number of friends at dinner Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Newsom and son Virgil were in Artesia Monday on a shopping trip and interviewing Santa Claus.

We made a mistake last week, believe it or not. We said that Loren Reeves won the prize for the best looking woman at the cakewalk. And all the time it was Zola Cain. Mr. Cain won a box of candy which the kids at the party enjoyed very much.

J. W. MacNeil who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Zola Cain left Monday for Carlsbad to spend the holiday season.

Charlie Kimmons of Hope and Mrs. Myrtle Gess of Carrizozo were married last week in Alamogordo. They will make their home in Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Scoggin and family of Muleshoe, Texas, were here last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bell.

Mrs. Deward Thompson and baby of Clovis was here last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Carson.

Mrs. Mary McDonald of Loving was visiting here last week. She was returning from Lake Valley where she had been visiting her brother-in-law, George Holiday. She was accompanied on her trip by Mrs. May Wilde of Weed.

George Blakeney of Loving was here last week visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Anderson and Jean Kimbrough were in from the ranch Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Hope schools closed Wednesday for the holiday season. The children will be back to school right after New Year's if they aren't all sick with the tummy ache.

The town board of Hope is giving a dance at the Hope gym on Saturday, night, Dec. 30.



Editorials

By the Editor

ROOD

A business man of Artesia said he didn't like our suggestion that we change the name of Eagle Draw bridge to Mabry bridge. He said that that has been the name of the bridge ever since it was built. Old timers all know it as Eagle Draw bridge so why change it now. All right, we aren't going to have a squabble about it, but just the same Gov. Mabry is the man that got us the bridge.

It makes a person's blood run cold when one reads about the mass executions conducted by the South Koreans. The executions have apparently been going on since September, but American and British soldiers became aware of it only recently. It begins to look to us as if we got mixed up in a dirty mess when we started in to make free and independent citizens out of the Koreans. It might be best if we pulled out of there and leave that portion of the world to be dominated by the Reds. You notice I said "Might" be the best. The world is getting in such a shape that it is hard to predict just what is the best to do.

There may be danger of Uncle Sam's boys in Korea running out of ammunition or tanks, guns or clothing, but one thing is sure—there is no danger of Uncle Sam's girls running out of typewriters. According to a recent survey, it was learned that our government owns three and one-half typewriters for each employe using the machines. That, it seems to us, is a surplus equal to the potatoes we hear so much about. This reminds us that a nonpartisan investigation not long ago revealed that 3 to 5 billion dollars a year in tax money could be saved simply through better and more efficient government. This could mean buying only one typewriter per stenographer instead of three and one-half machines for each typist. If the taxpayers of this country are to finance the Korean war, if they are to pay the cost of a military preparedness program, if the United States is to avoid bankruptcy, then the taxpayers must insist on more common sense, more economy, and more efficiency in government from top to bottom.—The Western Farm Life.

Senator Dennis Chavez is in favor of a foreign legion made up of volunteers from foes of Communism to battle the Reds in Korea or anywhere else. He says: "The hour calls for action and the United Nations might not be prepared to join us in an effective way to fight for freedom and to save civilization. We must go to the people of those nations, perhaps through their governments and enlist a world army to fight for their freedom and our own." This all sounds good but can it be put into practice? We would like to ask Senator Chavez who is going to finance a foreign legion. When the UN was organized all the nations were supposed to kick in their share of the expense, furnish troops and military supplies. But what has happened? The United States is furnishing practically all the fighting men, ammunition and money to prosecute the war in Korea. The other nations are sitting on the sidelines offering free advice on how the war should have been conducted. This cannot continue indefinitely. If the world is to be made safe from Communism, ALL nations that favor such a result should be willing to do their share.

"3,000,000 Prayer for Peace" . . . Read Rev. Francis P. Lebuffe's recreation of the most inspiring moment of Holy Year 1950, as he witnessed them in Rome. He tells how 150 children of Communist families received Holy Communion . . . He describes the awe-inspiring ceremonies attending the proclamation of the dogma of the assumption, in this timely article. It's in The American Weekly, that great magazine distributed with next Sunday's Los Angeles Examiner.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hill of Anson, Texas and Mrs. R. Van Pelt and baby of Las Cruces, were in Hope Saturday visiting Mrs. Hill's mother, Mrs. Mary Hardin.

Newman Seely took two loads of horses to Clovis Monday.

Mrs. Andy Roy Teel was honored with a ping and blue shower Saturday afternoon at the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Coates went to Ruidoso Saturday to visit Mrs. Coates' sister, Mrs. J. B. Fine and family.

Mrs. Jess Anderson spent several days last week in the Artesia General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Young and Alta Ruth left Wednesday for California to spend the holidays. On their return they will bring Mr. and Mrs. Tom Young back with them to spend the winter in Tucson.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Coates left Thursday for Texas where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Dick Terry who is attending ENMU at Portales spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Hope.

A telegram from the adjutant general of the Army to Charlie Kimmons stated that his son, Loda A. Kimmons, had been wounded in action in Korea on Dec. 2.

Mrs. J. C. Buckner said she enjoyed her visit to Phoenix very much. She and Hollis stopped by at Captain and picked up Mrs. Buckner's sister, Mrs. C. C. Key and took her with them. Mrs. Buckner visited her brother Jim Green in Phoenix, whom she had not seen for 34 years. They also visited at Globe, Miami, Arizona and at Alamogordo.

Connie Van Dine of Kittanning, Pa. is here spending the Christmas holidays with Dorane Teague. They are both freshmen at ENMU at Portales.

Betty Zane Teague had her tonsils removed Tuesday in Roswell.

Wilma Jo and Dale Young are home from Abilene Christian College at Abilene, Texas.

Betty Zane Teague and Dorane and their friend Connie Van Dine, arrived home last Friday from Portales to spend the Christmas holidays.

The community Christmas tree was decorated Wednesday night, Santa Claus was present and gifts and candy distributed.

Mrs. Tom Harrison returned Tuesday morning from Stephenville, Texas where she had been called by the illness and death of her brother, William Dickerson.

Mrs. J. C. Buckner and son Hollis returned last week from Phoenix where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. George Key from Texas, were visitors in Hope last week. They are moving to Artesia to make their home.

Atomic Farmer



Aaron Ganz of Chicago, the "atomic farmer" who has grown radioactive tobacco plants, received his doctor of philosophy degree in pharmacology at the University of Chicago.

Ganz, working at the university's "atomic farm", grew tobacco plants in air containing radioactive carbon dioxide. Minute doses of nicotine extracted from the radioactive plants was injected into rats and mice for the purposes of studying the behavior of nicotine in the human body. Ganz's tests showed that the body quickly gets rid of nicotine. The liver was shown to pick up more of the nicotine than any other organ, the brain the least.

Heifers Should be Bred By Weight — Not Age

Many dairymen have calving troubles in heifers even though they don't breed them until they are 15 to 16 months old, specialists report. These calving difficulties are usually due to small heifers that have not been grown out properly, the specialists said.

Feeding of proper growing ration will mature heifers quicker and start them on the road to production.

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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Truman, Attlee Talk Over World Situation; U. N. Soldiers Retreat; Wage-Price Controls Are Hinted

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Communist armies, estimated to total 1,000,000 men, plunged out of Manchuria and smashed the United Nations offensive that was launched to end the war. Pyongyang, capital of North Korea, was lost and U.N. troops retreated southward. Military observers were hesitant to name a probable defense line. One possibility seemed just north of Seoul, capital of South Korea.

TRUMAN-ATTLEE:

For Unity and Peace

Prime Minister Attlee of Britain and President Truman held a series of conferences in Washington during which the leaders of the two most powerful democratic nations discussed the world situation in general and the Korean crisis in particular.

Although no official announcement had been made on topics under discussion, reliable sources said they tried to solve three questions:

1. Should the divided, badly outnumbered, and already reduced forces of the U. N. be withdrawn from Korea as soon as possible, or should they remain and try to fight it out?

2. Should the western powers, if they withdraw or are forced out, then carry on a naval and air blockade of Communist China in an attempt to make the governing of China by the Communists as difficult as possible, or should they reject such a course as an interminable and fruitless operation and choose instead to divert their forces to the defense of Europe and/or southeast Asia?

3. Is a combination of these two courses possible? For example, would it be possible to arrange, through India or the U. N. a ceasefire at the 38th parallel, with a view to seeking an honorable solution, and, if no such solution is offered, then carrying on a limited war against Red China?

Observers were also quick to point out that the meeting of the two was further designed to show the world that Britain and the United States were united in purpose.

Many observers put the problem facing the President and the Prime Minister this way: To get peace on honorable terms if they can, but to continue to punish aggression if they cannot, without becoming involved in a general war with Red China and without getting too many of their forces pinned down in the far east.

The two men were said to agree on one point, that Europe, not Asia, is the decisive theater of operations.

PRICES:

Hit New High

The government's cost-of-living index soared to a record high of 174.8, meaning 174.8 per cent of the 1935-39 price average.

A seasonal decline in meat prices failed to halt the general upward surge in the cost of things that enter into a family's living costs. Apparel and house furnishing led the way, but all major items in the family budget joined the climb.

The increase brought automatic pay boosts to nearly a million automobile workers whose contracts are geared to the rise and fall of the monthly price indicator. Millions of other workers, however, find only a greater strain on the weekly pay check.

Middle income groups in the United States, especially the white collar worker whose wages are not tagged to a cost-of-living contract, are feeling the pinch of increased prices.

Wealthy Red



Frederick Vanderbilt Field, center, wealthy New Yorker, indicted for contempt of congress, confers with his attorneys, Harold Cammer, left, of New York, and Joseph Forer, of Washington, D.C. Field was indicted for refusing to answer questions before a senate foreign relations subcommittee.

KOREA:

Heartbreak Road

The military situation in Korea reached the point where no one would predict what would happen next. The situation was considered serious, and before this reaches print, may be desperate.

Military observers throughout the world were asking themselves if another Dunkerque was in prospect? They wanted to know was it possible, or even practicable, to attempt the establishment of a new defense line?

But several bitter facts could not be denied. United Nations forces in Korea were in full retreat. Pyongyang was evacuated and the retreating army jammed the road to Seoul, endless columns moving bumper to bumper. The road up the peninsula had been bloody, the one back was heartbreaking.

And as much as the free nations of the world hated to admit it, the Communist armies of China had demonstrated to the world they could march where they wanted to in the face of stiff resistance. General MacArthur estimated that China had thrown as many as 1,000,000 men into the campaign.

Military observers said it appeared the Chinese were determined to destroy the eighth army. If Lt. Gen. Walton H. Walker, commander, decided to stand and fight at some spot in South Korea, the U. S. army would face the greatest odds in its history.

Most observers admitted frankly that such a stand would be almost impossible against overwhelming odds. And a defeat would mean the loss of the entire eighth army.

The only other possibility was a beachhead like the one at Pusan, with artillery, planes and ships putting up a wall of steel from behind which the eighth army could be evacuated to Japan.

CONTROLS:

May Be Soon

For the first time, a high government official predicted that general wage-price controls will have to be invoked "to avoid damaging inflation." The official was Secretary of the Treasury Snyder.

At a senate finance committee hearing, Snyder said:

"I should say that the situation as it is today, to avoid inflation of a damaging nature, these (general) controls will have to be put into effect."

Alan Valentine, chief of the federal wage-price-control agency, declined to be specific on timing when senators demanded to know what the administration plans to do about rising prices and wage problems.

Valentine told the lawmakers "we must look for and find very soon a plateau where prices and wages are generally in balance. I hope we now are near it."

There had been much private talk about price and wage controls, but this was the first time an official had publicly stated that the time was near at hand. One sad fact must be faced, however. During the past months when it was becoming more and more evident that sooner or later controls would have to be invoked, the administration took no steps to set up the necessary machinery to direct them.

Now that the question is becoming more pressing, there will be another delay while the government mobilizes a staff to direct control activities. In the meanwhile, the small townsmen of America can expect the price spiral to continue.

A-BOMB:

A Frightened World

A frightened world heard President Truman tell his weekly news conference that the United States would fight on in Korea and would use the atomic bomb if necessary.

Before his remark could be further explained, the capitals of Europe were in an uproar. Fear spread across western Europe like a tidal wave. Newspapers issued extras with black headlines and radio programs were interrupted to put the announcement on the air. Near panic on a world-wide scale was evident for the first time in history.

The President's statement created the impression that he had already given General MacArthur authority to drop the A-bomb whenever he considered it necessary and practical. Some hours later, however a White House statement made it plain that MacArthur had not been given that authority.

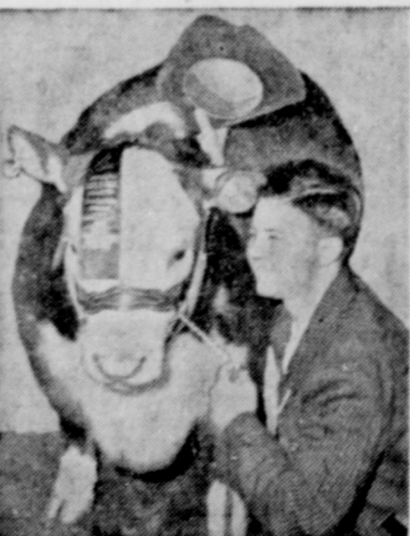
Although the situation had been somewhat cleared, the question of using the atomic bomb and its status in the event of all-out war caused a wave of discussion throughout the world.

Nearly every country in western Europe went on record against using the weapon. These nations obviously feared retaliation in kind from the Russians should the U.S. employ the weapon in the present Korean campaign.

Within the country the question was also top-most in the minds of every American. Most observers believed the public about equally divided on its use. The main argument for its use seemed to be it is the only weapon available that would prevent a disastrous military defeat in Korea and the loss of nearly 100,000 American soldiers.

On the other hand, Americans in every walk of life pointed out that if we used the bomb the Russians might retaliate by bombing American cities and thus launching dread World War III.

Champion



Big Springs Special and his owner, Lloyd Robinson, 19, of Big Springs, Texas, are shown just after the steer won the International Livestock Show's championship. The steer was sold for \$12 a pound, bringing the youthful owner \$12,300. It was a record price for the show.



F.F.A. Star Regional Farmers Are Selected

Named for Achievements In Vocational Agriculture

Three Future Farmers of America members were named regional star farmers for 1950 for outstanding achievement in agriculture. Each received a check for \$500.

Budd Ott, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Elton Ott, Bangor, Pa., was named star farmer of the North Atlantic region. His activities include operating a 300-acre dairy farm in partnership with his parents. The farm features 70 head of holstein of which 44 are in producing age.

Rolland E. Turnow, 20, another regional winner, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto

Turnow, Curtice, O. He is farming in one-third partnership with his father and brother. They operate two farms totaling 812 acres near Toledo. Major crops are sugar beets, tomatoes and cucumbers. They

have a small herd of 12 dairy cattle and raise some grain and feed crops.

Paul Crawford, 20 of Moore, Utah, star farmer

of the Pacific region, operates a large ranch in partnership with his father, featuring the production of high quality registered hereford cattle, range beef cattle and a few dairy cows.

Poultry Outlook Depends On Government Decision

What the government does—or fails to do—to get increased meat production next year will greatly influence incomes of poultry farmers.

This is the view taken by farm officials at the annual agricultural-outlook conference which was sponsored by the agriculture department. A government price-support program could be expected to boost production of hogs above present prospective levels.

The more pork there is, the lower the prices of both meat and poultry products are likely to be. They are highly inter-changeable in the American diet, and hence compete for consumers' dollars.

The gross income of poultrymen next year is likely to be somewhat higher than this year, the department said. But the net income—returns left after payment of production costs—will not rise as much as gross income.

Fantastic Possibility



For a horse to have twins is not unusual. But this appolosa mare is shown with twins, one of which is a horse foal and the other (right) a donkey foal. Don L. Steadman, Crescent, Utah, owner of the mare, says she was bred to a palomino stallion at the same time that she occupied a pasture with a small jackass owned by Steadman. Mr. Steadman says: "We suppose the stallion is the father of the horse, and the donkey is the father of the mule". He calls them a "Morse" and a "Hule." Dr. John MacLeod of Cornell University, said that under certain conditions such a birth is a "fantastic possibility."

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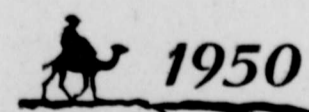
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SWEDISH GIRLS EMULATE ST. LUCIA, MEDIEVAL SAINT, DRESSED IN WHITE, WITH CROWN OF LIGHTED CANDLES, THEY CARRY COFFEE AND HOT BUNS FROM DOOR TO DOOR



IRISH SHOPKEEPERS GIVE THEIR CUSTOMERS CANDLES AS CHRISTMAS PRESENTS



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WHY DOES SANTA PERSIST?

'Rightness' of Belief in Him Is Subject of Eternal Debate

WHO CAN ANSWER the riddle: Why does Santa Claus persist? Is it good or bad for children to believe in him? Teachers, psychiatrists and other specialists in human behavior at the juvenile level differ. The Santa Claus myth has strong convictions in its favor and convictions just as strong opposing it.

Children whose very progressive parents have explained to them that Santa Claus is only a myth have not been easy to convince. They fix their surprised parents with the coolest of condescending stares. They don't agree with the psychiatrists who say that a child who really believes in Santa Claus has had his thinking ability impaired. Even grownups berate the destroyers of the illusion.

Evidently Santa fills such a basic human need that it's not safe to tell people that he is fantasy. And it's more dangerous to try to prove it.

Belief in Santa satisfied children's need for love and security. They keep this belief as long as they need it, carrying their belief through various stages—they fear him, trust him, love him and then doubt him.

But they never completely doubt him, no matter how realistic they become, and they remember with joy the days of their credulity.

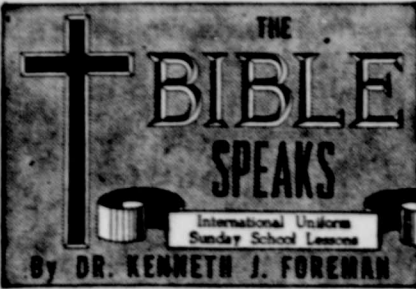
Psychiatrists fear that letting the child become possessed with the myth tends to make the adult attempt to preserve the infant pleasure subconsciously throughout life and remain emotionally immature.

And experts question whether children should be taught to believe literally something that is not literally true. One expert says:

"There is no sound psychological reason that I know of for children not enjoying the Santa myth as long as they know that it is not true. (But) if a child at 4 or 5 years of age can believe that one person can come down all the chimneys of the world in one night, and can fly through the air with reindeer and a sleigh and necessarily a heavy load, the child's whole relation with reality and whole ability to think clearly in terms of cause and effect have been seriously damaged or permanently destroyed. He will have learned that to think in relation to the evidence of his own eyes leads only to confusion and fear.



WELL WISHERS . . . Looking in at the window of the McGuckin home in New York is a whole flock of Santa Clauses, their hearts warmed by the sight of little Brendan M. McGuckin playing with his toys. Two years ago the toddler was stricken with polio which affected his legs, back and stomach, and his life was in critical danger.



Something for Love

Lesson for December 24, 1950

SCRIPTURE: Luke 2:1-20; Philippians 4:14-17
DEVOTIONAL READING: Matthew 2:1-12

THIS is a true story but it also is a parable for Christmas.

Once upon a time there lived a lady who had everything. As Christmas time came on, her many friends racked their brains to think what they could give her. It would have been absurd to send her a check, for though she was not rich she did not really need money. There was nothing to speak of that she seemed to need for her house, for she had lived in one place for some time and she had collected about all the furniture and bric-a-brac that her house would hold. There was not much use in giving her something like candy because she was on a diet and could not eat fancy foods. She had more pictures than she could hang at one time, and as for books, she had a taste above best-sellers and what she could not get from the public library she could buy for herself.



Dr. Foreman

A Lovable Person

HOWEVER, her friends were determined to give her something, for she was a lovable person; so when Christmas time came her table was piled with gay parcels from near and far. Some of the gifts may have been expensive and some not, but all were beautiful.

So she appreciated them, but because she could have bought any of them herself, she did not appreciate any of them quite so much as she did one present that when Christmas morning came could not be seen at all. One could not call it a beautiful present to look at; indeed it was seen only once. But the memory of it lingered for a long time.

This lady had a cook. She was not a very good cook when first she went to work, because she was young and no one had trained her and she did not like to be trained. She was suspicious of any one who tried to show her how to do anything, and she bore a grudge against any one who had more in this world than she had. But the lady was patient, and the girl learned about a home from her; indeed the most and the best she learned was not about cooking at all, as you shall see.

The Invisible Gift

ON the day before Christmas the girl went home early to spend the day with her family. But before dark on Christmas day, in the same hour the kitchen stove went out of order and visitors came to spend the night, and the lady fell ill. Not knowing what to do, she called up the girl, Christmas though it was, and asked her if she could come back and help out for a few hours to get things straight.

So the girl came and made the stove behave and cooked a meal and took care of her friend and made everything as it should be on that day. When it was late and time to go, the lady offered the girl more than her usual pay. But the girl would not take even one coin. She said to her friend: "I like to do something for love."

So when the presents lay opened, on the very top of the pile, visible to the inward eye alone, were the hours of work given because the giver wanted to do something for love.

The True Gift

GIFTS that are sold in the stores, gifts that crowd the post offices, carloads of gifts that pass each other in the night on roaring wheels, the little gifts and the great: which of these are given for love?

Some are sent to return a favor; some because it is the thing to be done; some are sent out of old habit, or in hope of favors to come.

It can never be seen, for it cannot be sold in the stores and the post office does not know the rates on it. It comes silently, and sometimes only the giver and God know about it, and the one who receives it does not suspect.

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The Way it Happened . . .

IN MEMPHIS . . . Mrs. Mildred E. Jennings, seeking a second divorce from Floyd T. Jennings, declared that she had remarried him in 1949 "solely for the purpose of preventing him from annoying" her.

IN MILWAUKEE . . . Eight middle-aged women were arraigned on gambling charges for playing rummy with pillowcases as stakes.

IN ATLANTA . . . Paul Lee Miller, booked for impersonating an officer, told police that he felt entitled to wear a badge because he was once "almost elected sheriff" in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

IN BLOOMINGTON, IND. . . Monroe County clerk got a letter from one Walter Sadlick, an ex-serviceman, who explained that he had married to get a bigger student's allotment under the G.I. bill, but that now, as his eligibility for benefits was running out, "we would naturally like to abolish the marriage."

IN CHICAGO . . . A young man who claimed he had been bamboozled by women dancing teachers sued to void contracts calling for \$4,554 worth of dancing lessons.

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Personal To Women With Naggng Backache

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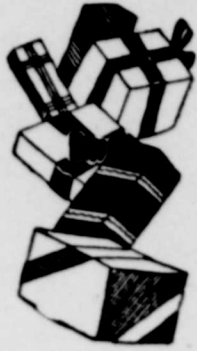
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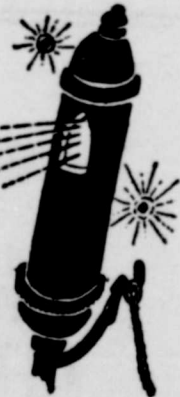


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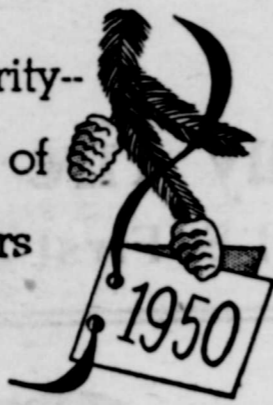
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Would like to take this opportunity to express to my many friends in the Hope community, my sincere greetings for a most joyful Christmas and may the coming year bring to all good health and happiness.

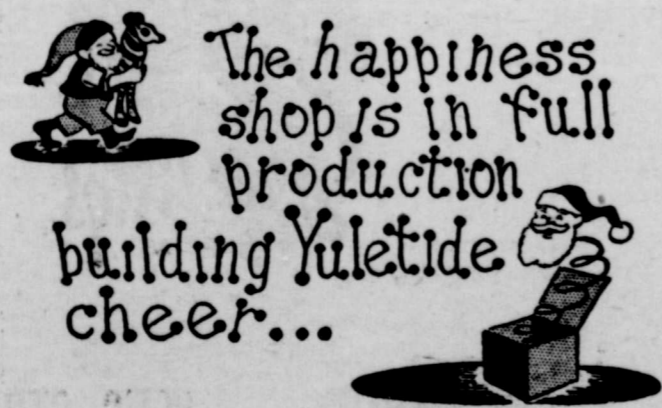
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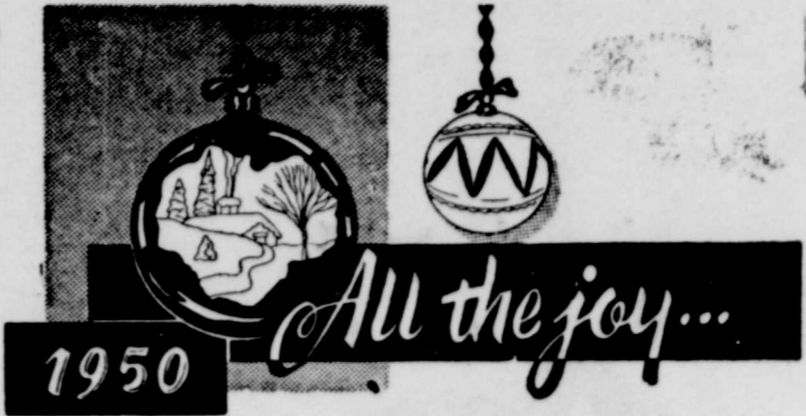
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Tight Rope
By Allison L. Burks



Dorinda considers abandoning the masquerade and returning to her own station of life and her own identity. She is lonesome in her role as Dorinda La-Croix and wants to return to her own self as Stella Moore, secretary. She consented to play the part of a dead girl in order to help keep alive that girl's grandmother who, she is told, might die of shock if she knew the real Dorinda was dead. At Edward Thorndyke's insistence she decides to remain and play out the part for his mother, Dorinda's grandmother. Edward declines to let Dorinda attend the movies with nurse Carol, which the former resents. Nurse Adams gives Dorinda a puppy to keep her company.

CHAPTER VI

"You know I haven't any rouge. Cleve, he's adorable." She set the little dog down on the ground where he promptly pounced upon one of her feet, worrying her shoestring and growling with mock fury.

"Three months old, sound in wind and limb, housebroken and possessed of exceptional intelligence," Cleve said proudly. "Do you want him?"

"Do I want him? Of course, I want him. He's the very nicest present I've ever had in my whole life."

"Well, you didn't come after him, Dorinda, and somehow I had a feeling you never would come." Cleve sat down on one of the brick steps, his back against a white pillar. "I thought perhaps you needed a lift after what happened yesterday, so here I am, me and my dog—your dog, I mean."

"Cleve." Dorinda's voice was only a whisper. The laughter had faded from her face. "They found he—Taylor—had taken some kind of a sleeping medicine before he crashed. Hawley phoned and told Uncle Edward."

Cleve whistled. "The devil he did! What do you suppose Taylor did that for?"

Edward Phones Hawley About Taylor Inquest

"I don't imagine they think he did it intentionally. It wouldn't make any sense. I think they believe that girl—the one that looked like me—gave it to him in his drink."

"So then it's murder!" Cleve said softly.

Dorinda's hand pressed against her mouth. Cleve had said it—the word she wouldn't let herself speak. He threw a quick glance at her face.

"It's a horrible thing. But people are murdered every day, Dorinda. And we didn't know him."

"Oh, well, the sheriff himself will be back in a few days. Poole's a different dish of tea. A shrewd guy though I'm not sure how he will stack up in a case like this."

"Let's talk about something else, honey. I have a message for you. As I mentioned a few minutes ago, I had a feeling you'd never come over to my place after that pup, or for any other reason. So my mother has issued a special invitation to you to come over for dinner. And that, from her, is equivalent to a royal command. I want you to meet my mother, Dorinda. When can you come?"

Dorinda bent over the dog, her loosened hair hiding her face. "That's nice of you, Cleve. I'll let you know. I must ask Uncle Edward—I wouldn't want to interfere with any of his plans."

"What a dutiful child you are. A rare specimen in this day and age. When you get married, Dorinda, are you going to obey your husband as you do your uncle?"

"No, indeed. A husband is, as you say, Cleve, a different dish of tea."

"I might have known it," Cleve grumbled. "But I suppose a fellow can't have everything." He glanced down at his watch. "I'm supposed to be in town right this minute. I've got to step on it." He gave one of her curls a yank before he stepped into his car. "Don't forget that invitation."

Carol called to her softly from the hall. "Do you know where Mr. Thorndyke is? His mother has been asking for him."

"If I'm not mistaken, Uncle Edward and Fay are driving in the gate now," Dorinda said. She was glad of the interruption. Taylor had been killed early Tuesday morning. The inquest was held the following Thursday. No one from Thorndyke House attended. But early in the afternoon, Edward telephoned to Hawley.

"Nothing new came out at the inquest," he told her abruptly. "The jury brought in a verdict to the effect that death was caused

by the automobile crash, said crash being the result of the drug Taylor had taken. They recommended investigation be continued to determine whether the drug was self-administered, taken by accident or was given him by someone else, possibly with homicidal intent."

Dorinda's brows knit in a puzzled frown. "Why do you think about it, Uncle Edward? Maybe it did seem queer—Taylor recognizing me that day and then dying that night. But it can't be anything but a coincidence. Let's forget it."

Edward's gaze was on the far horizon. "Forgetting—that's a thing more easily said than done."

He was right, Dorinda found, when she went to the village late that afternoon.

There was a new alertness in the faces that looked back at Dorinda as she walked down the village street. Eyes filled with questioning, with surmise, as they met hers. She thought of what Edward had said. "What one person in Trent-



Dorinda stepped back to admire the picture that Mrs. Thorndyke, leaning back among her pillows, made.

ville knows, the whole town knows."

She found Anne frankly inquisitive. But somehow she didn't resent it in Anne. In fact, she found it a relief to hear spoken the thing the whole town was thinking.

"Oh, Dorinda, isn't it exciting?" Anne bubbled. "They say you were questioned by the police. Weren't you thrilled? I do believe you're a femme fatale—one of those women who attract strange and fascinating adventures."

Dorinda laughed in spite of herself. "Anne, you do, how you do run on. By the police, I suppose you mean Mr. Hawley."

Anne grimaced. "Well, perhaps he is a little lacking in lurid qualities. A nice boy, though rather inclined to blush. I imagine, without half trying, you wrapped him around your little finger and reduced him to an abject mass of apology."

'Grandmother' in First Probing of Dorinda

"I didn't even half try." Dorinda sat down in the Windsor chair beside Anne's desk. "And the apologies were all to Uncle Edward for daring to connect his precious niece 'even in thought'—quotation marks—with a man like Taylor. Seriously though, Anne, I didn't think it funny."

"I've never told this to a soul, Dorinda," she said in a conspiratorial whisper, "but that night after you'd been gone for about half an hour, Taylor came in here. He pretended to be interested in the books but what he really wanted was to ask questions about you. How long you'd been here and if you had money, oh, a lot of things."

Dorinda's slim fingers gripped the book she held in her lap. "Did you tell him?"

"Not much. I told him I knew practically nothing about you. He'd never lived in a small town or he wouldn't have swallowed that tale."

It is eerie, isn't it? I can just see Taylor stalking you through the twilight." Anne shivered. "Gee, I'm scaring myself. Here's a new novel your grandmother will like, Dorinda. Just came in this morning."

Outside the air had grown cooler. The wind brought with it the chill from the sea. Trees against the sunset cast black bars of shadow across the road, and in the fields the poppies closed their brilliant petals against the coming night. Dorinda was glad to see the dark facade of Thorndyke House loom up before her. After all, it was, for the time, home. As much of a home as she could have.

Carol was passing through the upper hall. "Tell Grandmother I'll bring her book in to her in a few minutes," Dorinda called.

She picked up the library book in its brown-jacket and went down the hall to Mrs. Thorndyke's room. Grandmother's face brightened as she saw her.

"How pretty you look, Dorinda." Her thin fingers touched the bright folds of the red dress. "I like colors with vitality in them." Her eyes, meeting Dorinda's, held affection and a touch of wistfulness.

"A woman of my years wearing lipstick!" Grandmother scoffed. "Carol bought it—a new shade, 'Ash Geranium,' she called it. Light rose with a hint of mauve."

Dorinda Asked to Show Childhood Cut Scar

"I like it," Dorinda decided. She smiled at Carol who sat sewing under a shaded lamp, the light touching her bent black head.

"In my youth, only women of a certain class used rouge and lipstick," Mrs. Thorndyke asserted. "But, old as I am, I can still accept new ideas. Especially when they become me," she added, with a twinkle. "Tell me what you've been doing with yourself, Dorinda."

So Dorinda told her of Cleve's visit the day before, of his gift of the wire-haired pup—"His name is Randy, Grandmother, and I'm bringing him in to see you as soon as he quiets down a bit." She told of her walk to Trentville that afternoon, of the acacias in bloom, of Anne at the library.

There was a light knock, followed by the opening of the door. Fay came into the room. She was dressed for dinner, poised and lovely as she always was, her cool beauty without a flaw. She smiled at Mrs. Thorndyke, a smile which curved her lips but did not reach her eyes.

"Dear Aunt Lucy," she said softly. "I didn't know you already had company. You mustn't let Dorinda tire you."

"Dorinda never tires me," the older woman said shortly. "Don't stand there, Fay. Sit down."

Dorinda sat close to the bedside. Fay moved to a chair a few feet away. She sat down and leaned against the cushioned back, her slim hands folded in her lap. She did not, Dorinda noticed, wear the diamond ring Edward had given her.

"I love this room," Fay said. "It's a perfect setting for you, Aunt Lucy." She looked about her, her gaze lingering on the papered walls, the polished furniture. Her eyes swept past Carol as if the young nurse did not exist.

Mrs. Thorndyke was speaking again. "Dorinda and I were talking over old times," she said sweetly to Fay, and looked back at Dorinda again.

"You were a dear little girl, though naughty sometimes. Like Laura, I thought then, though you've changed since. Do you remember when I visited you and your mother in Paris? It was spring and the chestnut trees were in bloom. Paris—will it ever be the same again? At least I'll never see it."

Her face grew bright once more. "But one thing I wager you do remember, child. I hadn't thought of it myself for years. The afternoon your mother left you with me and I dozed off in my chair. When I woke you were gone and I started to search for you. I found you in your mother's room—you were standing on a chair in front of her wardrobe to reach the flask of perfume you had wanted and which she had hidden from you on a high shelf. When I came in, I startled you and you fell. I'll never forget—the room so strong of rose scent, broken glass on the carpet, blood everywhere and you screaming. I was really frightened." She shivered, living those moments again.

"It was a bad cut, Dorinda. I thought it would never stop bleeding. And it left a bad scar on your wrist." She laid her hand over Dorinda's. "Is that why you wear this heavy bracelet, my dear?" Her fingers fumbled at the clasp. "Let me see, Dorinda. Proof of your grandmother's negligence."

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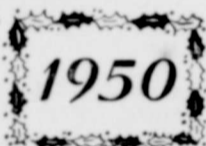
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



Star Pork Crown Roast for Christmas
(See Recipes Below)

Foods for Yule

THE HOUSE WITH its presents and decorations sparkles and glitters, the air is full of secrets and laughter and the hustle-bustle of the holiday season is everywhere.

Out of the kitchen comes that warming excitement that is stimulated by Christmas foods in the making. The feast is, after all, as important as Santa Claus and presents.

Christmas dinner ought not to be just good food and plenty of it, but something exciting and colorful, too. Try something new, here and there, just to have a change.

*Cherry Cider (Serves 8-10)

- ¾ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
 - Dash of salt
 - 1 teaspoon whole cloves
 - 1 teaspoon whole allspice
 - 3 sticks cinnamon
 - Grating or nutmeg
 - 2 quarts sweet cider
- Combine sugar, salt and spices. Add cider and bring slowly to boiling point. Strain into warm pitcher and cool to drinking temperature. Serve in warmed mugs or heavy cups.

PORK CROWN ROAST may be purchased already prepared from the market or it may be prepared from the pork loin. To prepare from pork loin, use the rib sections of two pork loins each having an equal number of ribs. Remove a two inch strip of meat from the ends of the ribs of each section. French the ribs. Saw parallel to the chine bone to remove the backbones from the two rib sections. Sew the ends together to form a crown.

*Pork Crown Roast (Serves 12-16)

Season meat with salt and pepper. Place crown, rib ends down, on a rack in an open roasting pan. Insert meat thermometer so that bulb reaches the center of the thickest part. Be careful that the thermometer does not rest in fat or on bone. Roast in a moderate (350°) oven for 1 hour. Turn roast, rib ends up. Fill with Wild Rice and Chestnut stuffing. Return to moderate oven and roast until meat thermometer registers at 185°. Allow about 30 minutes per pound.

- #### Wild Rice and Chestnut Stuffing
- 1 cup wild rice
 - 3 cups boiling water
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - ½ pound chestnuts
 - Salt and pepper
 - 2 tablespoons finely minced onion
 - ½ cup melted butter or substitute

Wash wild rice thoroughly. Use 3 cups water and 1 teaspoon salt and steam for about 40 minutes. Place chestnuts in cold water to cover. Bring to a boil and cook gently for 5 minutes. Drain, peel and skin. If nuts are not tender enough, drop in hot salted water and simmer until tender. Chop coarsely. Combine with wild rice, onion and melted butter. Pile in center of crown.

LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU

- Christmas Dinner
- *Cherry Cider
 - *Pork Crown Roast Wild Rice-Chestnut Stuffing
 - Glazed Sweet Potatoes Gravy
 - Buttered Broccoli
 - *Cherry Nut Rolls
 - *Christmas Star Salad
 - Relishes Beverage
 - *Unbaked Fruit Cake
 - Whipped Cream
 - *Recipes Given

*Christmas Star Salad (Serves 8)

- 1 package cherry-flavored gelatin
 - 1 cup hot water
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1 tablespoon lemon juice
 - 1 cup pineapple syrup
 - 1 cup ground raw cranberries
 - 1 orange, ground
 - 1 cup drained, crushed pineapple
 - 1 cup chopped celery
 - ½ cup chopped walnuts
- Dissolve gelatin over hot water. Add sugar, lemon juice and pineapple syrup. Stir to dissolve. Chill until partially set. Add remaining ingredients. Pour into individual star molds and chill until firm.

*Cherry-Nut Rolls (Makes 12)

- ½ cup butter
- ¾ cup brown sugar
- ½ cup shredded almonds
- 12 maraschino cherries
- 2 cups enriched flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ cup shortening
- ½ cup milk

Combine butter and brown sugar. Spread in 12 muffin cups. Sprinkle with shredded almonds. Place cherry in center of each cup. Sift all dry ingredients into mixing bowl. Cut in shortening until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add milk all at once and mix until dough follows fork around bowl. Turn on lightly floured board and knead for ½ minute. Brush with melted shortening. Sprinkle with brown sugar and ¼ cup shredded almonds. Roll as for jelly roll. Cut into 1-inch pieces. Place slice into each muffin cup. Bake in a hot (425°) oven for 25 to 30 minutes. Serve inverted.

If you didn't get a chance to bake fruit cake or steam plum pudding here's a delectable refrigerated fruit cake which needs only three days' ripening.

- #### *Unbaked Fruit Cake (Makes 1 8-inch square)
- 9 cups bran flakes
 - 1½ cups chopped, cooked prunes
 - ¾ cup chopped dates
 - ¾ cup chopped raisins
 - ¾ cup chopped walnuts
 - Grated rind of 1 orange
 - Grated rind of 1 lemon
 - ¾ cup brown sugar, firmly packed
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - ½ teaspoon cinnamon
 - ½ teaspoon nutmeg
 - ½ teaspoon ginger
 - ½ cup orange juice

Roll bran flakes to make 3 cups crumbs. Combine all ingredients and mix thoroughly. Line 8-inch square pan or 9x5x3-inch loaf pan with waxed paper. Press mixture into pan and smooth top. Cover with several thicknesses of waxed paper and place in refrigerator for 3 days or longer to ripen.

Snyder Says Nation Hasn't Felt Defense Pinch

Treasury Secretary Snyder says that the impact of the United States' mobilization program will be stronger than most citizens expect, even if the Korean crisis develops into nothing more serious. Snyder's opinion was given recently to the annual convention of the Bankers' association in New York City.

He said: "Tax increases all along the line are inevitable. People do not have any notion so far of the size of the defense program."

The bankers at their meeting warned in resolutions that inflation is the nation's primary economic danger and called for a cut in non-defense spending.

Snyder added that congress has committed about 30 billion dollars to defense spending and foreign aid in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951. He said that the figure would probably rise materially the following year.

Snyder disclosed that the house ways and means committee and the senate finance committee have "virtually committed" themselves to an excess profits tax measure in a stand for "pay as you go" financing to preserve the dollar.

With the end of the Korean war apparently in sight, prices of some commodities have tended to ease, but this weakness is not regarded as significant. The Dun & Brad-

street wholesale food price index this week posted its largest weekly drop of the year and the first appreciable decline since the start of the Korean war. Grain prices have tended to ease, with exports showing heavy declines.

The rising defense burden will be felt in several ways, according to economists. Even if the shooting ends, top officials say the program means: The cost of living is going up; taxes are going to be higher; controls are around the corner, and there will be fewer things to buy in the stores.

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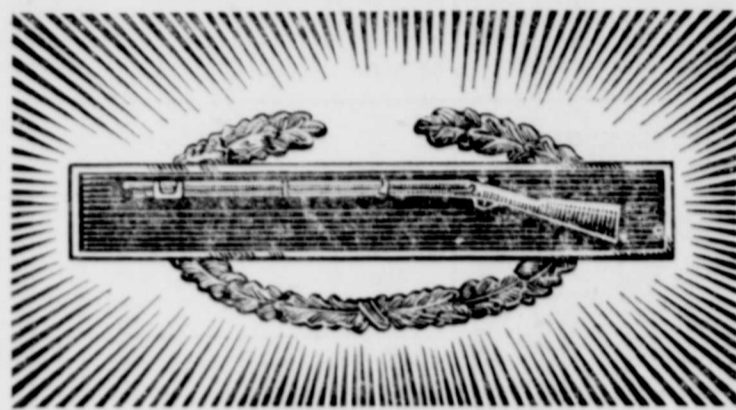
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