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## "PEACE ON EARTH"

To speak of "peace on earth" even at this Christmas time, when the world is amid the deafening roar of fighting bombers and crashing tanks, with the parol of war everywhere in evidence, seems almost a travesty upon human intelligence. And yet, when the cause of the war is considered and the certainty of its conclusion recognized, this thought may not seem to be altogether incongruous. The only foreboding thought is the possibility that this may not be the war to end all wars. But if it is, let us of ourselves, that we may consider the possibility of realizing that "peace on earth" is near at hand.

The Allies are of the opinion they are fighting a just and righteous cause, and with the various alliances and treaties of the four great powers, United States, Great Britain, Russia and China, the outcome cannot be questioned.

Because of what was learned from the effect of the Versailles treaty of the first world war, we can reasonably expect that the terms that will be made to the Axis powers at the close of the present war will be more liberal, more just and more satisfactory than those of the previous war.

And while heavy taxes may oppress the people, because of the lack of any money that might have been practiced during this war, yet there is every reason to believe that the war will have better times and better conditions for everyone.

That ample pension provisions will take care of the soldiers, their widows and families, is certain; that in our Social Security measures passed for their benefit, is agreed, thus relieving the nation of a great host of our elder people who will be unable to find employment after this war is over; that more modern equipment in homes, factories and places of business, due to inventions and use of new materials developed during this war, to lighten the burden of the labor of everybody, is sure to be found; and the further assurance that this nation, with other allied nations, having assumed world responsibility, such as it has never known before, will find a deeper and more Christian brotherly feeling generated and a more Christian attitude simulated towards all men of every race and color, is inevitably going to result in a richer endowment for the American people than ever before realized.

"Peace on earth," while not what the angels sang those words had in mind—ever though sung nearly 2,000 years ago, may be anticipated at this Christmas time, for the earth, for there is every reason to believe that, as the result of this war, better general conditions over the world are going to prevail than ever enjoyed heretofore.

## A NEW BRAND OF DEMOCRACY

The public is pretty well fed up on democracy these days. Not that the people are not for it, but because the brand they are getting is so grossly inferior to that once enjoyed—that it is almost unrecognizable. In fact, there appears to be a growing number of citizens that facetiously think they have an altogether better brand than those who actually bear the name.

With the Administration employing an army of 3,200,000 people, more than three times the number employed at the close of the first world war, and constantly increasing its bureaus and agencies, through the special efforts of D. Nelson, so as to effect radical changes in every department of our Government, the average citizen can't help but wonder if there is not some danger of democracy disappearing over the hills altogether, following this war. Because the word "freedom" is linked with four social and economic conditions, does not imply that, even though desirable, freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of want and freedom from fear is the democracy that has and will continue to give us the American way of life, as we desire it.

For a century or more, the American people were taught that the least governmental regulation possible was the highest form of democracy, but for a decade or over we have had forced upon us such governmental regulation that we feel tired almost hand and foot.

War has brought rationing, which, however, had the Administration used ordinary business foresight, would not have been necessary with tires, gas or food, and would not now be necessary, were it not that big interests appear to control the policy of our government in these matters.

A national debt of \$200,000,000,000, when this war is over, would seem to be necessary for our Government to take over and socialize completely the industry of the country, in order that nationwide bankruptcy does not take place after the war; and because it would seem to be necessary in order to maintain the inflated wages that have been permitted, if not established by the Government.

But, if prodigal spending and unnecessary expenses were abandoned, and a weeding out and a paring down of governmental officials and clerks was carried out, and rigid economy practiced, government borrowing could be reduced almost to zero, so that a pay-go-go tax plan could be established that would give the nation a chance to breathe once more.

Let the National Government pay the states the \$6,000,000,000 in taxes it owes them for the land it has taken over; let the Government pay the cost of private corporations' power plants, all war plants and industries,

and all airplane fields, totaling in value over \$25,000,000,000, which it has acquired during this war, and get out of business altogether, making it possible for the people to have more to return to its own, and democracy will then have a chance, as it had when it prevailed in our land before this war as the American way of life.

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To this day the grain is gathered by hand throughout the valley, as in the days of the shepherds who herded their flocks on the hillsides, the land all about Bethlehem being covered with great boulders, that cannot be removed to make it possible to harvest grain by machinery.

To the north, fully five miles, and a little to the west may be seen the Mosque of Omar on Mt. Moriah, within the city of Jerusalem, and the tower of Herod, close by the Jaffa gate, that leads into the holy city.

Following the winding road down towards Bethlehem, the tomb of Rachel stands alone, its dome-shaped roof indicating that it is a place of worship for the patriarch Jacob. To the south may be seen, in the distance, the outline of the pools of Solomon, just outside the city of Hebron, from which source Jerusalem obtained largely its supply of water, up until the taking of the city by General Allenby, when the necessity for a larger supply had to be provided by a pumping system.

Bethlehem was once walled, but only a little of the ancient defense is left standing. The houses, made of adobe or stone, since that material is plentiful and ready at hand, are ancient, some of them dating back nearly to the time of Christ. The streets are unpaved and wind around through the city with little regard to the cardinal points of the compass. The main street, for some reason, is as wide as an ordinary American street, quite in contrast with the streets usually seen in eastern cities.

Within the city of David, are only two places of interest. One is David's wall, now dry, in the upper part of the city, to which two of David's soldiers made their way when they were in the hands of the Philistines, and David's army encamped outside, to secure for their great leader "a drink of water from the well of my fathers." The other place is the Church of the Nativity, the oldest Christian church building in existence today.

This church, that covers the spot on which the inn was located, that sheltered the Mary and her husband on the night of the birth of the Christ child, is not a pretentious building, though erected of stone and having large towers.

Within there is a high altar, where the Greeks worship; and to the left, two other altars, where the Armenians and Catholics worship. To the right of the high altar and down a short flight of steps, directly under the high altar, is a star in the floor, marking the spot where the Savior was born. This is in a small grotto that is screened from the public. An altar is back of this and candles are kept lighted there constantly. To the left, some 15 feet, and down a flight of four steps, is indicated the place where Jesus was laid in the manger. This is also a small grotto, screened off, and providing an altar for worship, with candles to give it the effect of a stable dug out of the hillside.

One may easily picture to first Christmas scene, with the shepherds arriving to pay homage to their new king; the wise men appearing the next day, coming down from Jerusalem; and in that humble place, made regal by the presence of heaven's ambassador, placing their gifts at the feet of the one whom they had traveled hundreds of miles across the desert to see and worship.

To that shrine, in normal times, thousands of people travel annually from all parts of Europe, and especially have countless numbers of pilgrimages been made from Russia, for the privilege of seeing with their own eyes, the spot made holy by the birth of Christ, the world's Savior and King. Christmas time makes the birthplace of Jesus peculiarly sacred, for there is little question but that the exact spot has been identified throughout the centuries.

Christmas in this city was a very quiet day. The morning dawned bright and clear, and the merriment of St. Mary's and St. Mark's churches at 5:30 called hundreds to early masses. It was a veritable "green Christmas" and overcasts were uncomfortable. During the morning the streets were quite animated and the small boy got in his work with his new horn until dinner time, when the fill of turkey, or its substitute, silenced him. Many new faces were seen about town indicating many out of town guests at Rahway festival boughs.

Christmas 25 Years Ago  
Formal dedication of the new \$135,000 Y. M. C. A. building, on Irving street, took place last night and nearly 1,000 people inspected the structure and enjoyed the fitting exercises connected with the important event. Expressions of admiration were elicited from all by the splendid appointments of the new structure and there was a feeling apparent that the money had been well spent. Just a week over a year had elapsed since the cornerstone was laid, and despite the difficulty in securing material and the labor, the work was steadily pushed along, surpassing all obstacles, until the city now has a building to be proud of.

## THE POCKETBOOK OF KNOWLEDGE



Arranged and equipped in a manner that is equaled by few cities of its size in the country.

Rahway 15 Years Ago  
An illuminated cross has been placed upon the tower of the Second Presbyterian church, Main street and New Brunswick avenue, as one of the Christmas gifts to the church. Standing 13 feet above the roof of the tower, which is one of the highest points in the community, the cross is visible for a considerable distance. The design is that commonly used on Protestant churches, the Latin cross, backed by a circle. It is given in memory of William Hottel, by his wife and children. Other Christmas gifts to the church included a star which hangs in the arch of the church, a gift of the members of the Welfare association of the church.

Rahway 10 Years Ago  
Arthur N. Pierson, former state senator, was chosen treasurer of Union county, yesterday (December 28, 1933). He succeeds Nathan R. Leavitt, treasurer, since 1906.

J. Russell Marple is succeeded as President of the Rahway Kiwanis Club, this week, by Rev. Finley Keech. A. Fred Hoar is the new vice president.

Eighty-five little girls of Rahway's unemployed were guests during the "Kiddies Party" in the Scout house, Tuesday, in charge of Mrs. Charles R. Melick and Mrs. E. C. Lunt. Miss Kathleen Coe recited "The Night Before Christmas," after which Fire Chief Ritzman, as a big jolly Santa, distributed toys, reconstructed by the city firemen, and also dolls dressed by the Girl Scouts.

Ration Calendar  
For Thirty Days  
Fuel Oil—Period 1 coupons valid for 10 gallons of fuel oil through January 1, 1944. Period 2 coupons valid through January 29, through February 8.

Gasoline—A-3 coupon, valid for 3 gallons, expires February 8.

Stamp No. 22, in Ration Book No. 2, is good for 5 pounds of sugar through January 15, 1944.

Brown Stamp—M, N, P and Q valid through January 1.

Green Stamp—D, E and F, is good for 4 food through January 29.

Shoes—Coupon No. 18 in Ration Book 1 good for one pair for an indefinite time. Stamp 1 on "airplane" sheet of War Book 3 valid November 1.

Bration Board hours—Monday, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.; Tuesday, 11 a. m. to 3 p. m.; Wednesday, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.; Thursday, 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.; Saturday, 9 to 12 a. m.

Winston Paul Begins His Work  
Taking office as the newly elected chairman of the New Jersey Committee for Constitutional Revision, Winston Paul of Montclair, stated that it would be the policy of the committee to cooperate to the fullest extent with Governor Edward and the legislature in the revision of the constitution, and to work toward a more efficient and forward-looking State Constitution.

The Constitutional Revision Committee is composed of the officers of the State Bar of New Jersey, and representatives of civic, labor and taxpayers organizations which spearheaded the successful campaign in behalf of the constitutional revision referendum at the November 2nd election.

## Turkey and Poultry Ceiling Prices

Ceiling prices on turkeys for this district are as follows: Drawn turkeys, 10 cents per pound, in Groups 1, 2 and 3 stores; 40-50 cents in Group 4 stores; live turkeys, 45-48 cents a pound in Groups 1, 2 and 3 stores, and 44-47 cents in Group 4 stores. Drawn turkeys, 57-64 cents in Groups 1, 2 and 3 stores, and 56-63 cents in Group 4 stores. Drawn poultry, broilers, fryers and roasters, all weights, and all groups, 41 cents, all groups; Drawn poultry, broilers and fryers, under 2 1/2 pounds, 59 cents per pound, Groups 1, 2 and 3 stores; roasters, 2 1/2 pounds and over, 56 cents, Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4 stores.

Our sister community has seen the wisdom of the old adage, "in union there is strength," and taken steps to unify and thus strengthen their various welfare projects by permanently organizing a Civic Community Chest, a gathering of citizens at the fire house, Thursday night. Every district in the township will be represented on the committee by trustees and steps will be taken to incorporate without delay. Citizens elected at the organization meeting, all outstanding in their ability and known for their unflinching work for the community, are: President, Mrs. Peter Wilkerson; Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Wilkerson; Treasurer, Mrs. John Wilkerson; Trustees appointed to date, Edward E. Bender and Earl Sharkey.

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## Christmas Greetings To You on the Home Front!

May the New Year find us with chips up and the firm resolution to do all we can to help the boys on the battle-fronts of the world.

Let us all work together cheerfully and willingly, until final victory is ours and we can again enjoy the many blessings of peace.

## Elizabethtown Consolidated Gas Co.

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## Civilian Defense Notes

The State Highway department has called upon the Civilian Defense organization to assist in its anti-air raid program this year.

The parade request, the owner, in the event of an impending air raid, to remove his car from the street and park it in a designated area.

Defense can again prove its value to the community by operating to the utmost with the State, county and municipal and police departments. Roads must be kept open for transportation of war workers and essential war equipment.

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## City Employees Out On Strike

War Against Infantile Paralysis

Burn Your Garbage

Miss Hunter New Music Instructor

Geo. Eckert Again Elected to Board

Christmas Skating An Unusual Favor

Workers Being Selected for Drive

Rumor Has Donovan For New President

News Headlines in The Rahway Record During Past Twelve Months Tell of 1943 Local Events in Chronological Order

Christmas Present For Water Users

Best Wishes To All For A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

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# President's Day of Prayer to be Observed on New Year's Day

## Kiwanis Annual Ladies' Night And Installation of Officers at Colonia

### Service at First Presbyterian

The Railway Kiwanis club held its annual Ladies' Night and installation of officers for 1944 at Colonia Country club last night following a dinner at 7 o'clock.

President Howard VanBursick welcomed the members and guests and turned the speaking over to the president-elect, Mrs. E. J. Tunk, who introduced the installing officer, Edgar Cole, of Plainfield, past state governor, past president of the Kiwanis Club and present district trustee of Kiwanis. The following officers

(skipped and spoke briefly upon assuming the responsibilities of his office. He presented each of the wives of Kiwanians to the new king and queen, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Fred Hope, who in their own right were well known as our indefatigable master presider upon the retiring president with a warm welcome.

Music was furnished during the dinner and for informal standing following the program, by the Kiwanis band, led by Harry Christensen, of Perth Amboy.

Guests included: Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Tunk, of Perth Amboy; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tunk, of Perth Am-

**Church at Hour of 11 O'Clock**  
**Prayer and Intercession for Nations at War, With**  
**Rev. van Bever, Rev. Goldsworthy, Rev. Jaqueth**  
**Rev. Collier and Rev. Davis Taking Part**

In response to the appeal of President Roosevelt, for the first day of January to be set apart for prayer and in-

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The preliminary opening service will be of song and Scripture, led by Rev. Gilbert van Bever, of the Second Presbyterian Church. He will use songs and hymns that are well known and Scriptural excerpts in accord with the hour of worship.

This one-hour will be divided among four other ministers, who will exercise their best judgment in presenting to the subjects they seek to cover. Rev. Edwin A. Colburn, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, will offer a period of intercession for the nation and the world.

Prayer with a general confession and answer for a revival will follow.

Not only will the churches meet instead above participate in this First Methodist service, but the Rev. St. Paul's Episcopal, the Rev. St. Andrew's Lutheran, the Friendship Baptist, and the

introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Anton Felter, who presented a delightful story of an Austrian Christmas. Her daughter, Miss Beale Felter, entertained with Tyrolean folk songs and Christmas

Jaqueth, of the Trinity Methodist church, will give consideration to the "World and the Church in the 21st Century" by Rev. J. W. P. Collier, of the African Methodist Episcopal church, and the "Thoughts in the behalf of the homes and the children of the nation." Rev. Chester M. Lewis, D.D., of the First Presbyterian church, will close the hour of prayer.

The President's appeal for this observance was contained in the following statement: "We give thanks to Almighty God for our constant providence over us in the national peace and national peace and national peace and national peace."

"May we humbly seek strength and guidance on the problems of responsibilities of increasing victory."

The Week of Prayer, that is annually, among Protestants and Catholics, has been observed since beginning January 10, in five even-

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A black and white cartoon illustration of a man's head and shoulders. He is wearing a fedora hat and has a wide, toothy smile. He is holding a bottle of 'FOR ENERGY!' in his right hand. The bottle is tall and thin with a label that says 'FOR ENERGY!'. The man's hair is short and dark. The background is plain white.

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