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Herr Okay He Dares Not Wish Us

A Happy New Year

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"Berlin calling," and the thinly accented voice in the loudspeaker.

"Frankin Delano Rooseveti promised peace. He yave you war.

"The next program in our overseas service to America is 'Okay Speaking.' Okay begin. His accent is more strongly Teulonic than the announcer's. So many bad things lie ahead for the United States during 1942, that I dare not wish you a happy New Year. ... A rounful of people were listening to the propaganda broadcast. When this amazing statement burst upon them, hey laughed. Not the hursted, quarded, nervous hacking you might hear in Berlin. It was full-throaded, free, almost uproarious. And before it had died away, the refutation was complete. So, the laughter seemed to say, this lousy little hazi rat dares not wish us a happy New Year, does he? Well what do you know about that?

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Could it be that he has not heard the Could it be that he has not heard the latest news from the Russian front? Of the recapture of Kerch in the Crimea, the surrounding of Moyhaisk before Mos-cow? Is he still ignorant of Rommel's blight in Africa—bottled up by the Brit-tah who wait only for him to try to

break out?
What does this "Okay" know of America? If 1942 brings of ten times the hardship and privation that we expect—and we anticipate plenty of both—we'd still have a Happy New Year. Beause we shall be fighting; and no mat-

ser how many reverses befall Americans, their is the tradition of cool and reck-heir languister tradition of cool and reck-heir languister under fire.
What of your own people, Herr Oksy-the haised overlords of a starving conthemat—will the anappy New Year for them? Forgive our solicitude, but if Americans became twenty times worse off in 1942, they'd still be living twenty times as a form of the tradition of th

That's the way your propaganda leaves
ther Okay, We can't stand it—another moment and we'd have split our
des laughing. Ahs. Perhaps that's the
purpose of your insidious broadcast.

Eagle's Return

If the Air Force Can Use Him, Take Him on Trial

Charles A. Lindbergh has forfeited, e think, the right to settle with his suitty, or with his conscience, if has be troubling him, by a simple the of atonoment. The disservice he

sat of stopment. The disservice he has rendered to unity at a time when unity was vital, the demoralization he has sought to create are not to be expanged by his trooping to the colors.

Indeed, there is a real question as to whether or not Lindbergh, by reason iet, the spenceal antagonism he has aroused, could serve the Air Force acceptably. That is a proud branch of the 'military, discriminating as to its personnel.

If the Air Force wants Lindbergh, now; if it could make use of a good aeronautical technician with a con-iderable knowledge of Pacific and Atlantic flying routes and meteoro-logical conditions; if there is a place for this cool and conceited man where he could not possibly cause dissen-tion; why, in that case let the Army lake him up and return him to duty

sake him up and return him to duty in some capacity.

But by no means should his offer to serve be allowed to erase the record sagainst him or testify to his complete, suitability for service. That young man's good faith is not so castly re-established.

Bad Example

Retioning Should Prevent

Splurging and Deprivation Meckirnburg found out yesterday just tow scarce automobile tires are going to a this month. The official guida for smiary allows the whole county exacting the water of the distributed among octors. Intress, policemen and others.

ion or deposi-differ none. It is a light quota, one that reflects a desperate nature of the rubber short-

Those 172 tires would outfit only

age. Those 172 tirrs would be 43 automobiles.

Nor is there my assurance that its stringency may be relaxed in the near future. On the contrary it stands to reason that the quota is more likely to be cut down than increased.

reason that the quota is more likely to be out down than increased Faulty Judgment somewhere in the Government—a slip-up that permitted automobile manufacturers to squander a vast potential stockpile of crude rubber on tires for non-resential new pleasure cars—now has all motorists aquirming. Also, as Raymond Clapper points out, the chrome used up by a boom automanufacturing year is made even more precious by the loss of the Philippine chrome pines. It's the same story in many another exsential, imported war material.

It isn't hast Mecklenburg or any other county recents being rationed, We can do without tires altogether if that's what winning the war requires. But if there are other things that may have to be rationed, for heaven's sake let's not wait until they're in deficit before devising an equitable system of distribution. The time to start rationing is when supplies are still pentiful. Splurging followed by acute distress was the pattern into which in other studies in studient problemed like rubber studient problemed like rubber studient problemed like rubber studient problemed into which in other studient problemed is studient problemed into which in the problemed is studient problemed into which is not become a studient problemed into which in the problemed is studient problemed into which in the problemed is studient problemed into which in the problemed is the subscription of the problemed into the prob

acute distress was the pattern into when the rubber situation resolved itself. It is a bad example from which our man-agers in Washington should profit much.

One On Riegels

He and Corrigan Would Have Enjoyed the Council's Show

It came pretty close to being a com-edy of errors, the mix-up in the City Council assiston Wednesday when the laxi ordinance was supposed to have come up for final passage. The Iron Dukes "now we are six"; were prevented by the absence of Mr. Slye, and the charter requirement of at least six votes for passage of an ordinance, from disby the absence of Mr. Silve, and the charter requirement of at least six votes for passage of an ordinance, from disposing of what has been a strenuously-contested piece of budness. tMr. Little of the Blocks of Grantle also was absent. It would have been better for the Iron Dukes had he been there. He would have voted against the ordinance, making a five-to-five the which the Mayor, under the charter, could have broken in favor of passage.

With neither faction having a necessary majority of six votes, so that no motion or resolution could be passed, but with the Iron Dukes having enough votes to kill any motion that the Grantles might make, the Dukes' strategy should have been to let the other fellow show his hand first. That Is what Mr. Ward, doublies thinking himself pretty eage, obliged them by doing. He moved to bring up the ordinance for its third reading.

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The Dukes, mistaking Mr. Ward's mislake for the old mouse-trap play, then
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It was a startling procedure on Mr.
Hovis's part, and so did it startle the
Dukes that, by now now knowing which
end was up but positive that Mr. Hovis
ass. up to no rood, they voted against
their own ordinance. The Granties and
their own ordinance. The Granties and
their own ordinance. The Granties and
their Councit's Roving Center, Mr. Beasley,
voting for It.

Oliny (ps. 1).

Bo you remember the Rose Bowl game in which the unfortunate Roy Riegels and the length of the Hill the wrong way? He would have such that the wrong way? He would have been and the remember of season with the Potter and the Granies both determined to shoot gails in each other's baskets and each as determined to prevent it.

determined in precent it.

More recounty, it was not meant, we believe, that so business-like a body as a City Council should resort to tricks of parliamentary procedure or legalistic sheamingans to obstruct the transaction of business. For the minority, in this case the Granites, to attempt to mullity an ordinance which the majority was agreed upon does not reflect credit upon them. And for the Council as a whole to be divided into two willful and increasingly obstreperous factions does not promise, as we have been saying all along, a progressive, creditable administration of city affairs.

For the Nazi, back from Russia with chilbiains, the aensible thing might be a trip to Libra, where the droll British were administering the hot foot at this report.

Forecast For '42

By Paul Mallon

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WASHINOTON.

This year will not be as bad for business as those now crowding the mountre abone suggestables will be great. Nearly implayed. There will be more money in the name of the people of th

yet as the committee acceleration with foot from the acceleration listing.

The careful calculations of the commerce department suggest retail and service sales through the year will severage as high as 1936, which was not had.

seer will average as high as 1036, which was not had.

LABOR SHORTAGE EXPECTED

LATE IN YEAR

A labor shortage is in prospect for a late of the part of the year. The office of the part of the year, The office of the part of the year, The office of the part of the year, The see of the part of the year, The see of the year, The content of the year, The part of the year, Take will be ferrific. You can extend the year of the year, Take the year of ye

new, Small manufacturers will suffer. Earnings of companies will be limited, A revolutionary change in bushiers customs will take place, but the alert business man will curvive and succeed.

that was impractical so far in this one.

At army camps where large quantities of cais are available without the source of the s



Waking Us Up

Wolfe's America

From "Of Time and the River"

America has a thousand lights and weathers and we walk the anterior walk the atreets forever, and the state of the state o Senator Soaper Says:

itting, the part many control of some construction. It is a fabulous country; it is the one lace where miracles not only hapen, but where they happen all the

dark and servet rurr, time as the time, is forever flowing by us to the server. It is the place of violence and sudden detail, of the fast shorts in the night, the ciub no the Irish cop, and the small of brains and blood upon the pavement; It is the place of small-town killings; It is the property of the server of the serv

the soft spring smackings of the investil players, and the care No, ploe and mitt, the crack of the late of the place of the the place where they like to win always, and beast about their viceries? It is the place of quick money and sudden least it to with their strongs solid, clanking, heavy loneliness at hight, and of the silent freight cars that curve away among raw piney desolutions with the strong solid clanking, heavy loneliness at hight, and of the silent freight cars that curve away among raw piney desolutions with the care and include a silent the same of the silent freight cars that curve and lonely earth, the place of the times and lonely earth, the place of the mineral and lonely earth, the place of the strong of the child have the place of the child have the place of the child and laughter, where they young men are torm apart with young men are torm apart with the substant of the winds and the rain and small of the winds and the rain and small the thunder and the soft numb spitting of the size and made with

TODAY'S SIBLE THOUGHT

Pray that nations as well as individuals may apply this rule; Devise not cell against the neighbor seeing he duells securely by thee.—Proverbs 3:29.

With the enemy too far away for hand-to-hand punishment, no place for long, ensureled finger nails in the war effort is seen at this time.

In the Old World welter of names, that of Franco of Spain pops up now and again. You remember Franco — about eleven crises ago.

believe in low and victory and think that they can never die.

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Glossary of Army Clicken

print but where they happen all the time.

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the uninitiated but is just as clear
a crystal to the experienced airl
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of phraseology frequently encouraged in military correspondence
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The Queenslown (Md.) News
Ollmore Austin had two unexpected callers one day last week,
who, after prowings ground his domain, located three muskrat pells
that they thought were pulled a
little green, so they notified Olimore to appear at the politic putice office for a quit how the pells.
The first is only leventy-five bucks
for, the first pell and ten bucks for
each additional, pell., If it expected that Olimore, in the
furstages that muskrafe have their
growth.

Side Glances



"You can't even get the necessities of life any more without being taxed—and even then, half the time it lan't fit to drink!"

Why We Are Losing

By Raymond Clapper WARRINGTO



It won't be only men out there had will lose the Philippines. If the wands are lost they will have been lost here, by our lagsing was production.

production.

Months ago many of us wrote com-plaining about the slow, confused, molas-ses-in-January defense production. And I suppose some of the others were called I suppose some of the others were called on the carpet as I was and dressed down by some of the big shots in OPM. We were listening too much to New Deslers, What did a newspaper reporter know about production?

OBSTACLE TO WAR PRODUCTION

WAR PRODUCTION

I still don't know anything about production. All I know is what people tell me. Here I have the report just fasted by the Tolan Committee of the House. This committee reports that the stainment is heard was almost unanimous that production to date had been a faithre, when measured against the facilities available and the visible need

securing available and the visible need for war good.

"This House committee says two major obtacles have impeded war production, Piral, manufacturers have been reluciant to convert their production from civilian to multitary purposes. Second, the defense agencies of the Governments.

civilian to military purposes. Second, the defense segencies of the Covernment have not required such conversion. The committee cites the automobile industry. Automobile manufacturers said only 13 per cent of their facilities were convertible. Engineers and labor-unden officials testified that 30 to 80 per cent could be converted. It is a matter of record, the committee adds pointedly, that the entire automobile industry of England has been converted to defense production. Now, after 18 months our automobile industry is to be changed over to war work. But not because OPM forced it. For months OPM resisted of-ficials here who urged conversion. We are changing over because a hortage of materials forces it. But for 18 months we have been using up creed's beaking quantities of rubber in a boom automobile industry.

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solile industry.

For 18 menths Jesse Jones has fooled around with a one-lunged slockpile effort. His face must have turned red when at a cabinet meeting the sther day President Rooservit asked him how his synthetic rubber factories were coming alone.

PRECIOUS CHROME SPLURGED ON AUTOR

FO 18 months record-breaking automobile production has been using up preclous chrome. Now chroms miner in the Philippines have been exacusted in the face of the Japanese advance. OPM has just been compelled to order restricted use of chroma steel. For several years Germany and Japan have been buying up such supplies. For instance, buying up such supplies. For instance, they san up their copper purchase from Latin American countries to several times normal. They were getting ready for war at any cost. Officials here who months ago were pleading that our Government do the same thing were considered impractical nuits and were brushed saide as panicmongers,

THE WHITE HOUSE COMPOUNDS THE CONFUSION

THE WHITE MOUSE COMPUSION COMPOUNDS THE CONFUSION Only loday the White House has added to the confusion. Secretary likes has been running the oil defense program. Now the foreign end of it is being placed under the Board of Economic Warfars headed by Vice-President Wallace, lekes said the Economic Warfars Board had an agreement by which the Wallace board decide policy and Iceas as oil administrator carried out the policy. Now, without prior consultation apparently, a new operation is laid on top of the esting organization. It isn't a question of whether Welface or lekes does it. The objection is to the division of authority, lo the overlapping, the acting up of new spenches willhoul even consulting other lacrested agraciers. Yet a Running the Computer of the American Sections will be summer took in American Inclusives. Yet a Running like Took war, will be sum or lost in American Inclusives. Yet a Running agent in that the Yesteria agents and plants to war work to the degree of the section of the contract of

tells us that the Federal agenties have failed to insist upon conversion of plants to war work to the degree that was possible. Hight now, because of that failure, plants are being shut down and men thrown out of work. For that doubt leas, soldiers and sailors and marines who are doing the flighting will pay dearly, and are paying dearly this very moment.

Visitin' Around

on Enter Esta

(Franklin Times)

—The editor is indebted to Mesare,
N. M. and H. H. Perry for a nice lot of
fresh backbone and spearsibe and to
Mr. Robert Praiser for a nice hog hashelet. They were much enjoyed.