

**Christmas and Peace**

For almost two thousand years the word "Christmas" has been associated in human minds with the word "peace". "Peace on earth, good will toward men" must be combined with the joy of the Christmas season or there can be no joy at all. One forgives one's enemy at Christmas time. How can one do otherwise when the spirit of love fills the air?

It is a sordid soul that does not, for a few moments at least, on the anniversary catch a glimpse of the Far Horizon and stretch of draggled wings. In millions of hearts, more or less consciously, more or less briefly, lies appreciation of the wonder and glory of peace and good will and the yearning for their continuance.

"If one could always feel like this!" one sighs—and then, looking around the distraught world, never so distraught as now, one sighs again. The ideal and an acceptance of what seem inevitable conditions. One turns one's back on the far horizon, one faces "life as it is", with straightened shoulders and set teeth. And, in so doing, one closes one's eyes, to the great truth that the peace of the world lies not in the hands of the rulers of states, but in each individual heart and home in the world, and that as long as the heart beats and that home endures peace cannot be destroyed save by the possessor. If it is cherished there, if peace reigns in the individual heart and home, the strife and strikes and "psychological panics" of the outside world can be at least temporarily forgotten.

The fact is so obvious that many women wholly overlook it. They seemingly forget that every woman who has a home with others around her in it, has the opportunity to establish and maintain in that home a peace colony of infinite importance to the happiness of those she loves as well as a definite center of influences in her community. For peace is not alone the absence of warfare. It is, Mr. Webster assures us, first of all "a state of quiet or tranquillity; calm, repose; harmony or concord". To reach this state of quiet or tranquillity this calm and repose, the harmony or concord, is the first aspiration of the normal soul and the first essential of individual achievement. It does not dislodge the "divine discontent" which urges one on and up in life; but, working with it, leads one to the heights.

**A Christmas Dinner**

- Grapefruit with Preserved Cherries.
- Cream of Celery Soup with Croutons.
- Home-made Pickles. Ripe Olives.
- Salted and Deviled Nuts.
- Halibut Timbales. Lobster Sauce.
- Roast Turkey, Giblet Gravy.
- Cranberry Frappe. Chestnut Stuffing.
- Mashed Potatoes. Brussels Sprouts.
- Browned Sweet Potatoes.
- Endive and Roquefort Cheese Salad.
- Plum Pudding, Hard Sauce, Mince Pies.
- Peach Ice Cream. Christmas Cakes.
- Fruit. Coffee. Candies.

**Christmas Hints**

Soap is not to be despised as a Christmas present. Not just ordinary soap, of course, but the delightful perfumed soaps and those specially made to beautify the complexion. Wouldn't you just love to receive for a little Christmas gift a tiny bookshelf holding three daintily bound books, titled and authored, and wouldn't it be fun when you examined the books, to find they were cakes of soap—imported French soap in just your own favorite flower perfumes? The soap books are covered with the Frenchiest-looking flowered paper, and so is the little bookshelf, and both are tucked into a box to match.

When in doubt, give something to wear. No matter how we pride ourselves on not being vain, there is an irresistible fascination about the piquant little trifle that adds so much to the effect of gown or suit. Left to ourselves, we think we can't afford it, or haven't time to bother. All the more joy when someone gives it to us. And it really makes a lot of difference.

Some people love to search in the spring woods for flowers; some to poke among dead autumn leaves for nuts. The millionaire has a keen scent for rare editions or prints or porcelains or jewels. Some people search for stamps or coins. In fact, the normal human being loves to seek and find.

I urge as an alluring pastime the honest search for ideas for Christmas gifts, in one's own mind and elsewhere. It is an unselfish and an honest hunt, and fraught with surprising and happy results. How the generous soul shrinks from those who say with evident satisfaction and relief: "I don't think people make as much of Christmas as they used to."

**A Christmas Song of Home**

Come, sing a song of home, boys,  
Come, think a while of home joys—  
Of founts no drought of Time can ever drain;

For when it's nigh to Christmas dawn,  
On Memory's pinions we are gone  
Those streams of pure delight to taste again.

So sing a song of mother,  
Of father, sister, brother,  
Of love that ever hovered o'er our cot,  
Of the sweet kiss that always healed,  
Of the low chair at which we kneeled;  
Oh, surely home is old earth's dearest spot.

Though change has found the home boys,  
Tonight its haunts we'll roam boys—  
See Childhood's white, sweet room; see  
kith and kin;  
See the warm hearth, half-circled, bright;  
See our own mother's window light  
That shone there till her last dear bid  
was in.

—Alexander Louis Fraser.

Send in your news and personals.

**A Community Christmas**

A city or town shows its true spirit during the Christmas season. The Christmas Pageant of Oakland, California, was such a remarkable expression of the fine spirit of enthusiasm and co-operation that prevades the community that it will serve as an example to other towns.

Practically every organization, civic body and national group in the city took part, with the result that over three thousand people actually participated in this spectacular festival.

The pageant was given in the municipal auditorium and consisted of a series of episodes, each directed and financed by a different organization and portraying Christmas customs adapted from all ages, peoples and nations.

There was the Spirit of Christmas, attended by one hundred tiny Christmas fairies in silver and white, and Father Christmas with one hundred boys of snow from back of the north wind. Then came Santa Claus in a huge Sleigh driven by fifty Boy Scouts dressed as reindeer with a pack filled with animated toys, Christmas cards, fruit and garlands. Oakland florists furnished one hundred Christmas trees trimmed by one hundred members of the Daughters of the Revolution with toys donated by the Oakland Elks. These were distributed after the pageant through the agency of the Associated Charities. The Girls of 1861 presented a Civil War Christmas in the quaint costume of that period. During the scene the war workers packed boxes in exact replica of those sent to the front during the war days, and these were later sent to the Veterans' Home at Yountville, California, thus carrying an aftermath of material cheer to many who could not attend the pageant.

Don't wait for your happiness until others hand it to you on a silver platter.



**Xmas Gifts for The Smoker**

- Tobacco,
  - Tobacco Pouches,
  - Cigars,
  - Cigarettes,
  - Cigarette Cases,
  - Cigarette Holders,
  - Cigar Cases,
  - Cigars in fancy Xmas Boxes.
  - Pipes with Amber mouth-pieces encased, and other assorted lines.
- We also carry a full line of Indian hand made Moccasins, and Sweet Hay Goods. Clocks, Harmonicas, Crepe Paper, Tissue Paper, Tinsel, Stickers, etc.

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**Christmas Suggestions**

Last Christmas we did such a big Christmas trade that we have prepared for a bigger trade this year. If you will come in and look over our stock we are sure you will be much pleased with what we have to offer and that you will find our prices reasonable.

**Christmas Cards and Folders**

High grade cards and folders in neat steel die designs that will appeal to the refined taste. A splendid variety from which to choose your Christmas cards. An envelope supplied with each card. Prices 5c., 10c., 15c., 25c.

**Christmas Post Cards.** A splendid assortment. Price, 3 for 5 cents.

**Handsome Gift Calendars,** 25c. and 40c.

**Christmas Seals, Tags and Gummed Labels.**

**Gummed Tape** for sealing Christmas parcels. Holly designs. 15 cents a spool.

**Ribbonzene** for tying Christmas parcels, red, green, striped and holly design. 15 cents a spool.

**Tinsel Cord,** 12 cents a spool.

**Paper Garlands** for decorative purposes. Two styles. 7 cents each, 3 for 20 cents.

**Japanese Hanoki Rope,** made in Japan from wood fibre. Glossy finish. A very attractive decoration. Colors red and green. Price 3 cents a yard.

**Christmas Tissue Paper Balls,** red and green combination. 10 cents each.

**Christmas Bells,** 5c., 10c., 15c.

**Tinsel Christmas Tree Decorations.**

**Santa Claus Snow,** 15 cents a package.

**Christmas Paper Napkins,** 15 cents a doz.

**Acadia Market**

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