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CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS FOR AMERICA

It is so needful to remind Americans of the blessings of peace and prosperity which, as a nation, are theirs in impressive and contrasting abundance this Christmas.

Perhaps this nation owes something more, by way of recognizing its own peculiar station in the world, than to be thankful for immunity from disaster.

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FORD HOMEWARD BOUND

Let those who are moved to condemn the shepherd of the jiney pilgrims for abandoning his flock in strange lands, stealing away from them in secrecy and beating it for home, reflect that this is perhaps the only horse sense that has been shown by anybody of the whole outfit from the very beginning until now.

JAPAN AND THE SUBMARINES

Tokyo is a quick-tempered and temperamental capital, backed by a people that has both spirit and self-respect. There is likely to be something doing when Tokyo realizes exactly what happened in the case of the submarine sinking of the Yasaka Maru.

SENSE ABOUT THE INSANE

Dr. William A. White, in his annual report as head of the Government Hospital for the Insane, makes two recommendations entirely in keeping with the advance in methods of caring for the mentally sick.

MAIL BAG

Communications to the Mail Bag must be written on one side of the paper only; must not exceed 200 words in length, and must be signed with name and address of sender.

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It would be respected in the Indian and Pacific oceans, if Germany were in possession of Egypt and the Suez? This is the sort of inquiry Tokyo is making, and making most searchingly, these days.

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Great Britain's Treasure Going into the War

Great Britain is going to raise cash to fight out this war as no other nation ever raised it or could raise it. This purpose to throw into the war all the financial power that may be needed is made evident by the manifesto of the British statesmen and financiers.

JAPAN, AMERICA, AND CIVILIZATION

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The Beauty of Christmas

Christmas is the greatest day of the year. What tender, beautiful, and mighty thought it should arouse. How dear to the simple, pure mind of little children.

Lover Refused to Call

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Senators Remember Pages and Officials

Senate pages and officials were remembered yesterday with Christmas gifts by Senator Oliver of Pennsylvania and Senator Martine of New Jersey.

Heads of Departments Send Season's Greetings

Members of the police and fire departments received today from Commissioner Brownlow, who has supervision of these departments, the following Christmas greetings:

Defies People's Will

Whatever his backing, the governor still is defying the will of the people and the verdicts of the courts, with resort to every shifty pretext, legal and otherwise, to at least delay the time of the executions scheduled.

What's in the Program

Open house, Y. W. C. A., 8 to 9 p. m. Christmas dinner, for inmates of the Women's Christian Association, 119 Thirteenth street northwest, 1 p. m.

Warden Might Have Ruled

Instead of the declaration of insanity, the warden might have decided that Faltin had not a fair trial or that some one else had done the murder for which he was convicted.

Amusements

Belasco—"The Cinderella Man," 5:30 p. m. Phoenix—"The Merry Widow," 8:15 p. m. Keith-Vaudiville, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

Tomorrow

Lecture, "Christian Science," Poli's Theater, 8 p. m. Special Christmas Services and Address by Mrs. Mountford, Terminal Y. M. C. A., 4 p. m.

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