In the excitement some have swallowed every rumor, but have ignored this fact:

This Christmas, above all others, you owe prayers and help to your parents.

The Christmas Novena for them has been woefully neglected by some.

Keep Your Balance.

The world is in its chaotic state and producing wars, hate, despair and discouragement due to man's desertion of God and His laws.

Man in his pride has pushed aside God and set out to make himself supreme, as self-sufficient master of the world, supreme legislator of his own actions regarding himself and his relations with his fellow-man.

Man sought to make this earth a heaven of man's fashioning, of ease, of material and of sensual comfort and pleasure, like the pagan world of old.

Now when we see that dream crumbling, and see war and possible subsequent economic stress ruining plans for a comfortable "heaven on earth", there is a tendency to despair.

This war with its inevitable sorrows and trials will make us think more of our real destiny, Heaven, will purge any idea of making this earth heaven and will bring us back to our senses, back to our knees, back to God where we belong.

Cure for Jitters.

1. Drop over to Adoration, away from radios and rumors.
2. Kneel humbly before your God. Get your bearings as Mary looks down on both her Son and you. Talk things over. Entrust your future to Him and to her. They above all can bring good out of any situation you face. Pray for your parents. War means trials for them, too.
3. You'll come away with some of that peace which "surpasseth understanding."

Incidentally at Adoration, you may be seated part of the time and just talk to Christ. Always, however, genuflect on both knees, when arriving or leaving.

Jim Connell

Lost you missed the item in the newspapers, or the announcements at church, we remind you to pray for the latest member of Our Lady's family to die in defense preparations - Jim Connell, '40, army pilot who died in Africa.

There are several of our men in Hawaii and the Philippines in the thick of it. Pray for them too.

Nick Pallela

He seems to be convalescing but it will be a long pull even if no relapse occurs, so give him a daily remembrance that he may continue his grand fight.

FAKERS: (deceased) father of Larry Shelly (Ivy); uncle of Fill Graham (Cav); friend of Fr. Simoniteeh, C.S.C.; friend of Joseph Kuett; cousin of Prof. Langwell; Mrs. Julius Grossenheimer. Ill, uncle of Mel Wilke (Merr); friend of Francis Moore (B-P); friend of E. Schleck (B-P); father of Brother Livard, C.S.C.; friend of J. Hagan (Wal). Fourteen special intentions.