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Keresimesi Odun De, Odun Owo, Odun Omo

Niwon oje di si, olukulu ko enia ti Olorun ba da emi e si lati ri o je 23th oju December 1950 yi, yio baje si gbo ti awon onlu yio ma fi iju sa bayi wipe. Ke-eresimesi, Odun de, odun olowo, ati o ririsi ori bawon ni, ti ao ma gbo kakori lu.

Akoko ati igba isare tele, ko si duro da enikan. Bi a ba bojowo akoko igboti a se odun Keresimesi ti esi tabi ti odun ti o keje, bi ana li o si loju enia. Ije usu, ile usu, wiji ka oye.

Eniti o je gbole ti o ada egerun odun ti on yio da owo na pada, bawu, egerun odun na li o mbe larin ilakan yi, bi o ti wu ki o pe titi, egerun odun mbe wa ku fila. Niwoyi eji loju awa ti o si mbe lorifi awa lori, a nrope odun oju mepla fan, ki o to pari ngo se igba ngo se awo, ngo se ikoko babu isanun.

Ko si owo, ko si eni, benti lati igba Keresimesi o o kejalo ni es ti iwo ko ri oje, o sa jehun bi o si ti wu fi enia taloti ti yio na owo ti o ju ogun poun lo larin duri kan N'tori na awa ti Olorun ma eseko na si oju eni wa loni ile o ye ki a ma fi ope fun Olorun. Bi a ti owo wipe, koo koo toyi ko si eni koo ti eraa ti o ju ewa ye.

Ati, oja ni ao b're alom odun Keresimesi a fi ciji ki ghogho ginyin okawe wa ni Kiriyo ati lmalc wipe e ku galme ti odun yi. Odun na yi je abo odun fun ghogho wa odun owo odun emi ati odun alafia ni ka ma a ti nigba ghogho.

Lailo iwe reie ki o mura si ni sise, ika ko ye omu enia Olorun ke iawa kun emi yio si oju sise fi idunbi. Odun ti da awa ni amikan yio ayio, ni sitoripe Olorun da emi wa si ti ri oje oju, ayogbon o ye ki a zani wipe, bi odun sa sa de ye, benti o o olukulu ko zannu ile ika ni sise bakan.

Nitorina bi ile ti usu, ti o si omu, o ye wipe bi a ti mitoripe ki a ma bape sara, ki a si ranti Ewada wa lati isaiyi ti ki oju itajo de, E ku iyodun, aseyi sinodun o.

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Nigeria Oil Palm Produce Marketing Board

Oil Palm Produce : Producer Prices for 1951

I. NEW PRICES

The Nigeria Oil Palm Produce Marketing Board, in consultation with its Representative Committee, has fixed the following basic producer prices for palm kernels and palm oil in 1951:

PALM KERNELS.

£32 per ton based ex-scale port of shipment.

PALM OIL.

SPECIAL GRADE (up to 4½% free fatty acid at time of purchase)

£71 per ton based ex-scale port of shipment.

TECHNICAL.

Grade	Free fatty acid percentage limits		Price per ton (based ex-scale delivered Bulk Oil Plant)
	above	not exceeding	
I	-	9	£55
II	9	18	£43
III	18	27	£34
IV	27	36	£30

2. These new prices will come into effect on the 29th of December, 1950. Details of minimum prices at all up-country buying stations will be published shortly in the Nigeria Gazette.

3. As previously announced, palm oil with more than 36% free fatty acid content will not be purchased by the Board in 1951.

4. Arrangements are being made for publicity to be given to the new prices in terms of the unit measures in customary use in the oil palm producing areas.

II. FACTS AND CONSIDERATION ON WHICH THE BOARD'S DECISION WAS BASED

5. The new prices announced above represent an increase of the order of 23½% on the prices ruling in 1949 and 1950. The Board desires to make known the facts and considerations which it took into account in making its price decisions.

SELLING PRICES AND PROSPECTS

6. In the correspondig announcement made last year, the Board sounded a note of warning. It stressed that prices in the world market for oil and oilseeds had apparently passed their peak, and endeavoured to prepare the public in general and the producers in particular for a reduction in Nigerian prices for palm oil and palm kernels.

7. In the ensuing twelve months, world market prices, contrary to these expectations, have risen considerably. In part, this rise has been due to the unmet international demand; but other causes include the increased demand, particularly in Europe where economic recovery has been most marked, and the continuing high level of economic activity in America.

8. As a result of these trends, the prices obtained in the recent negotiations with the Ministry of Food for the sale of the total Nigerian exportable surplus in 1951, have shown a substantial increase over the selling price ruling in 1950.

9. The Board, however, has to take a "long view" of its selling prospects. From this standpoint the Board has concluded that the present high level of selling prices can hardly be maintained indefinitely and some ultimate reduction must be expected.

EFFECTS ON GENERAL ECONOMY

10. The need to combat inflationary tendencies remains as strong as ever. This is, of course, particularly relevant in the case of palm oil, the price of which enters directly into the cost of living of a large proportion of the Nigerian population. At the same time, the Board noted that the rising cost of imported and other goods was reducing the farmer's "real" income, i.e. income measured in terms of the goods his money can purchase.

NEED TO BUILD UP THE BOARD'S RESOURCES

11. The Board is convinced of the need to build up adequate reserves during the present period of high selling prices. On these reserves will depend, in the long run, its success in fulfilling its main task of ensuring maximum price stability to producers over the longest possible period of years. On the strength of its reserves will also depend the Board's ability to continue its policy of liberal allocations to the Regional Production Development Boards and to research. The Board's decisions to make further grants to these development authorities estimated at over £1,000,000 in 1950 and £2,250,000 in 1951 have already been announced. In addition, the Board is considering proposals to guarantee minimum allocations for the four years following 1953 to enable the Regional Production Development Board to plan ahead with confidence.

QUALITY OF PALM OIL

12. It is unnecessary to stress the importance to the future of the Nigerian Palm Oil industry of the need to improve quality. Under the price structure approved by the Board, the increase in the price of the higher grades is more than that for the lower qualities. In this way an effective incentive to the production of higher grade oils has been provided.

INCREASING COSTS TO THE BOARD

13. An additional factor which has entered into the upward trend of the Board's own costs. Except for shipping charges, (Continued on page 3)

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

BY E. E. ADESGUN
(Well-known Schoolmaster & Journalist)

"This is the night, and this is the happy time
Whereby the Son of Heaven's
Eternal King
Of Woeless mind and virgin
Mother born,
Our great redemption from
above did bring."
—Milton (On the Morning
of Christ's Nativity).

Next Monday, December 25, 1950, the birthday anniversary of Jesus Christ will be celebrated gloriously and merrily, joyfully throughout all Christendom.

About two thousand pretty long years ago, Christ—Immanuel, the King of kings, the light immortal, the relentless Tenebrae, the greatest Moral Teacher, the unparalleled Reformer, an unobtrusive leader with the largest following, the Son of Man with the highest and noblest public service in all its downright selflessness, the rarest and most celebrated transatlantic Star in the firmament of the highest degree of mentality and the unique Prince of Peace—was born into this sinful and corrupt world in human flesh, to bring the very world of its invariable moral and social evils and to reform and regenerate it so that it might be a fit, better and happier place to live in, a place free from rancour, animosity, ingratitude, cheating, dishonesty, wickedness, dark and gloomy deeds, persecutions and wrongdoings, vices and all other forms of man's inhumanity to man making angels to weep better.

Jesus Christ did all these human, man but than less jobs of work unflinchingly until he later

on paid the price of justice of leadership by dying on the painful Cross at Calvary to redeem and save mankind from the guilt and condemnation of sin and to place the rational winners on the path of rectitude in order to be at one most with God—the juster Judge and great Rewarder.

As we go to commemorate this year's anniversary of the Holy one of God, the Pacific, Merciful and God Incarnate, I hope and trust we shall not be even in colour or static thoughts profane words, to the singing of discordant hymns of hate, spite, slander and scandal to envy, riotous eating and drinking and to condemnable revelry.

Let us do the celebrating with clean thoughts, neat language, sincere hearts, clear and unprejudiced mind, forgiving and uncondemning spirit, with loving and friendly gesture and with loyal, co-operative and peaceful attitude through and through.

This and only then can we, without any halo of a doubt, rejoice heartily with ourselves and humanity in the Advent or Yuletide Season with the neighbourly, simple and true spirit of Christmas.

While re-echoing the time-honoured and anetic anthem of "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace in all men of good-will," I conclude this cherty message of greetings in the usual age old phrase but in a more modified, vigorous and enthusiastic vein. I wish all my readers far and near a Merry Christmas and a Bright, Happy, Holy and Prosperous New Year in advance.

Abiyamo!

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 fe ti mu chun fan wa fus a lat
 orun "Bamwo" si orake shun na
 O dara pupu fun imu-imo, Iu taju
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A Resume Of The Mercantile Workers Strike

Lagos has from Friday Dec. 15th been muddled up in the Marina by the mercantile house workers in a result of the general strike called by these workers on the trade dispute between them and their employers in Lagos.
 Many of the U. A. C. workers attended work on the first day of the strike but in the afternoon of the day

after became of treat and molestation caused by some of the strikers on those who attended work.
 Up till date about 32 strikers have been arrested and charged in Lagos. Two have been imprisoned at the Magistrate Court on Tuesday 19th December 1950. There is also news about strike in Sapele & Port Harcourt, but as the other part of the country things to be running quite well.

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 Mr. Speaker would have had a very pleasant day at the reception and particularly happy that it would have been a day of cordial wishes of the House.