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## BEWARE SELF-SEEKING GROUPS HIDING BEHIND CLAIMS OF 'PATRIOTISM'!

The Associated Farmers of California have announced plans to organize 50,000 farmers into an anti-fifth column vigilante group and promise that "within three days in every rural county of California farmers, quiet men doing their bit, will be at work."

On the face of it, that sounds like a timely and patriotic move but, if the Associated Farmers of California are a behind-the-scenes group with mysterious financial backing as in Oregon and Washington, then the harried and exploited migrant worker of the golden state can get set for further impositions and persecutions. Red-baiters, super-patriots and political pressurites de luxe, the misnamed "farm groups" have left odor wherever they have acted.

With the fifth column scare being what it is, such group activity as that proposed by the Associated Farmers will bear close watching by state and federal authorities lest they use the fifth column scare as a screen to cover strike-breaking, sweatshop working abuses and other wholly un-American dollar-grabbing activities.

The day may not be far away when the worker who refuses to be cajoled or underpaid arbitrarily will be branded as a "fifth columnist" and driven out of the community. Some employers may be waiting for war hysteria to reach the point where they can use mob psychology to their own profit—at the sacrifice of American liberties.

## YES, IT'S EASY TO CONDEMN SURRENDER WHEN YOU'VE FLED TO SAFE GROUND!

Although King Leopold of the Belgians has been scored by many, including his fleeing cabinet members, time probably will reveal the stout young king used wisdom and mercy for his people and soldiers in capitulating to the German blitzkrieg.

With his army and countrymen faced with almost certain annihilation, and with promised help from the allies inadequate, who can blame Leopold for his decision to save what countrymen he could from the slaughter? As for the condemnation of his cabinet, which fled at the start of war to seek refuge in Paris, that criticism is understandable when one remembers that cabinet members first saved their own necks—and the Belgian treasury, with which it absconded—and then, dependent on safekeeping and hospitality of the French, proceeded to make "good guys" of themselves by throwing mud at their sovereign. Not only was Leopold's cabinet selfish enough to run at sound of the first bomb, but also they further ignobled themselves by turning on their ruler—when they reached a safe distance.

King Leopold of the Belgians is deserving of admiration and respect of the world and he should be given the advantage of any doubts as to his reasons for surrender.

## HILTS NEWS

- A farewell bridge party was given at the club house Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Helena Schleuter by Mrs. W. Holmberg and Mrs. Frank Ohlund. Those attending were Mesdames William Bray, Fred Bayliss, Florence Clark, M. J. Bailey, Roy Schlappi, Frank Graves, Ben Ollom, John DeWitt, Enzie Wright, Ted Quamme, Ray Elliott, Pete Schleuter, Fred Haynes, Lloyd Luper, John Kallvet, Scott Willis of Ashland, William McCluskey of Medford, Ann Gilberg of Palo Alto, Vernal Nebeker, Russel Harris, Harry De Jarnett, Frank Bernheisel, Frank Ward, Orson Coleman, O. Bernheisel, Arthur Pedersen, Ethel Seif, C. A. Baumgartner, Bert Mitchell, E. Crandell of Portland, T. Anderson, Jack Calkins of Weed, Wade Roop, Anton Mendes, and Fred Lehman. Prizes at bridge were won by Mrs. Seif and Mrs. Calkins. Delicious refreshments were served.
- A party was given Friday afternoon for Ruth Ardell, whose fifth birthday anniversary was on May 13. Those invited were Maurine and Sally Ryce, Wilma Brown, Sherry Bradford, Shirlee Black, Doris Wall, Leona Raybould, Ruth Pedersen, Vallee Ann Goldenpeny, Mildred Planalp, Donna McCullough, Gwen Robinson, Kay Williams, Donna Rosecrans, Virgie St. Clair and two young folks from Gold Hill, Vonnie Tepovac and Marie Chamberlin, who are visiting at the Rosecrans home. Delicious refreshments of cake, gelatin, cookies and lemonade were served. Favors were given and games were played. All enjoyed a delightful afternoon.
- Among those who attended the

- Memorial day services in Hornbrook Thursday afternoon were Horton and Donald Gero, Henry and Audomar De Clerck, Billy Gran, Tony Marin, Charles Vieira, Jack Eddy, Billy Bayliss, Ray Coleman and Gordon Alphonse of the Hilt Boy Scout troop and their scoutmaster, Bill Tallis, and assistant Walter Bray, also Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ohlund, Mrs. Pete Schleuter, Irvin Mendes, Russel Williams, Mr. and Mrs. William Gran, Mr. and Mrs. Henry De Clerck, Mr. and Mrs. Florent Van De Weghe and son Joseph and daughter Agnes, Fred Bayliss and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jackson.
- Mrs. Mary Wisenback and sons of Klamath Falls are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Vieira.
- Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Henry and daughter Elsie have moved back to Pacific Grove.
- Miss Florence Mendes of Oakland is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mendes.
- Mrs. Stella King spent Memorial day in Mount Shasta.
- Miss Kitzing left Monday evening for San Francisco. She does not plan to return for the fall term of school.
- Mrs. Drusilla Burr of Oroville recently visited her granddaughter, Mrs. James Purvis.
- Donna McCullough of Klamath Falls is spending two weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward.
- Pete Schleuter came to Hilt Saturday after Mrs. Schleuter and left Monday morning for their home in Marysville. Miss Evelyn Nelson is staking Mrs. Schleuter's place in the Fruit Growers Supply company store.
- Mrs. Donal Brace made a trip to San Francisco early in the week.



**THOSE WEEK-END JAIL TERMS**  
("Under a new law the courts in New York state may let prisoners serve jail terms on a part-time basis. If the convicted man has a job and must serve thirty days, a judge may let him serve it week-ends or on other specified days."  
—News item.)

"When I read items like this in the papers these days I never know for certain whether I am reading the funny papers or a report of an actual fact," declared Elmer Twitchell today. "Maybe sentencing men to the hoosegow for breaking the laws and then arranging it so the sentence won't interfere with their lives very much is a swell idea, but it still leaves me dizzy."

"I always thought the idea of a jail sentence was to teach a law-breaker a lesson and make him feel crime didn't pay, but if a fellow who cracks a safe, sticks up a bank cashier or ambushes a peaceful pedestrian knows that, even if convicted, the jail term won't be much of a hardship, I give up."

"The whole theory of punishment used to be that it would at least cause some inconvenience. The authorities used to hold that a term in stir was bound to take an offender away from his regular pastimes and industries. Nobody seemed to feel that these terms should be arranged so the prisoner would hardly notice 'em."

"It is going to seem funny to me, at least, when I read of a judge saying: 'I find you guilty as charged and sentence you to 60 days in jail. Would you like to serve it all in one lump?'"

"Naturally the prisoner is going to reply: 'Well, I tell you, yerronor, I have a job when I work at it, and it would be a favor to me if I could get back to it and go to jail only after my working hours.'"

"Just how would you like this jail term arranged?" the judge is going to ask.

"I do not work Tuesdays or Fridays, judge. Tuesdays I go to the



ball game, but I would be willing to go to jail Fridays. It rains on a lot of Fridays, anyhow."

"Well," the judge will say, "under this new law I guess Fridays in jail for you will be all right. Would you be able to fix it so you could report at the jail Thursday nights?"

"Not very well," the prisoner will reply. "My work is rather tiring and I would rather go to jail early Friday morning, say around ten o'clock."

"Couldn't you make it eight o'clock?" the judge will plead.

"Not without great inconvenience," the prisoner will reply.

"Very well, I will compromise and make it nine o'clock," the judge will reply.

"It is all very interesting if somewhat disturbing," concluded Mr. Twitchell. "I hope the rest of the country don't copy the idea."

**MEMORY**  
I remember once, so long ago,  
A sweet springtime in the rain—  
When a boy took me out riding  
Whom I never met again.  
We drove into the country,  
Where the fields with grass were green,  
And saw a weathered apple tree—  
The first one we'd ever seen.  
It's boughs were bridal robed in white.  
There in the rain it stood.  
The boy stopped near and wondered  
If a few stolen blossoms would  
Destroy its grace and beauty—  
If it still would be the same.  
I can smell the rain-washed petals,  
But I cannot recall his name!  
—Sue Saltus

**Add similes: He was running faster than if he had received an offer of help from England.**

**Dewey may be the bright star in the G. O. P. heavens, but look closer and you will see the Willie Way.**

**A soup proof necktie has been perfected. Somebody is always worrying about what happens to the soup.**

**DIALOGUES**  
Q.—How are things at home?

## PEN PORTRAITS of OREGON

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### JAP ORDERS DELAY U. S.

One of the things which is holding up the manufacture of more military equipment for the army and navy is the fact that so many U. S. factories are sending machine tools to Japan.

The war department has just finished a confidential survey of the machine tool industry and finds that most American plants are working on orders for the Japanese. Machine tools are all-important in the munitions business, because they are used to equip new factories expanding to meet new national defense orders.

As far as the war department is able to ascertain, Japan has plenty of machine tools, and is storing many of the new shipments now received



### A PERSHING AIDS FRANCE

Mrs. Frances Warren Pershing, the war general's daughter-in-law, modeling a gown in New York for french war relief. Bids for gowns ranged from \$250 to \$1,000.

from the United States—for emergencies. Japan also continues to be a big importer of U. S. scrap iron, and also is storing it for the future.

These are two reasons why President Roosevelt has asked special powers of congress to embargo shipments of materials which are considered vital to the defense of the United States. He expects, as soon as authorized by congress, to slap an embargo on scrap iron and machine tools to Japan.

### G. O. P. BLASTS

The barrage of Republican blasts against a coalition cabinet which has strafed the country recently was no spontaneous meeting of minds. Neither was it aimed entirely at the President. It was aimed much more against the Republican party itself.

Inner G. O. P. master minds admit that their political chances have

A.—Well, we're not getting so well since my wife's mother came to live with us.

Q.—The old fifth column, eh?

Ex-Kaiser (greeting the German troops in Holland)—What detained you?

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Beginning at a point on the southerly side line of Main street in the city of Ashland, Jackson county, Oregon, which point lies North 56 degrees 19' West along said street boundary 30 feet from the point of intersection of Southerly line of Main street with Westerly side line of First avenue (heretofore known as Hargadine avenue); thence South 35 degrees 02' West 100 feet to a point on the northerly side line of an alley as described in Volume 56 on page 450, Deed Records of Jackson county, Oregon, which point is 30 feet distant from intersection of the Northerly side line of said alley with westerly side line of said First avenue; thence North 56 degrees 19' West along Northerly side line of said alley 56 feet; thence North 35 degrees 02' East 100 feet to a point on Southerly side line of Main street which point is distant 86 feet along the southerly side line of Main street from its intersection with westerly side line of First avenue; thence South 56 degrees 19' East along the Southerly line of Main street 56 feet to place of beginning.

Also, the party wall right in West wall in First National Bank building as set forth in an agreement of record in Vol. 69 of Deeds on page 565 and as contained in deed of said First National Bank of Ashland to J. Syd McNair and Susie L. Allen as of record Vol. 77 of Deeds on page 2, Records of Jackson county, Oregon.

Also: Subject to the conditions, rights and privileges relating to West party wall of the premises herein described, contained in an agreement made between J. Syd McNair and Susie L. Allen with N. J. Reasoner as recorded in Vol. 88 of said Deed Records on page 458 and Deed of Record Vol. 87, page 414, thereof.

Said sale is made pursuant to an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the state of Oregon for Jackson county on the 20th day of May, 1940, in a certain cause wherein G. S. Butler is plaintiff and O. T. Bergner, et al. are defendants.

Dated May 24, 1940.  
SYD I. BROWN, Sheriff,  
By HOWARD GAULT,  
(M 31, J 7-14-21). Deputy.

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