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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry. KLAMATH CLEANINGS. Monday morning came with a cool wind and grey skies.

Nobody hates anybody here. There is a strike on, but it is conducted without hate. No worker stands on the corner cursing anybody.

Fletch's P.V., the boom-day tenor flitted into K. Falls Mon eve, and flitted out before he had a chance to sing a solo.

It is nothing to see a Jug of moonshine sitting on the curb, while a gent locks his car. One of these days Medford may learn that it had a propaganda factory.

Klamathans still wonder "what is going on in the courthouse." They are still coolly indifferent to the Fehel trial, and all its works.

Most of the Medfordites who remained in Klamath Falls over the Sabbath went boat riding and got sunburned. For three months your corr. has been listening continuously to lawyers.

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Years Ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY August 1, 1923. (It was Wednesday.)

President Harding, ill in San Francisco, now suffering from pneumonia, and his recovery may be slow. Entire world watches bedside.

City water commission adopts new regulation for irrigation within city, and people disappointed at lack of water.

Repe official estimate the valley pear crop at 1500 carloads. Ashland abandons Sunday band concert.

Auto firms report July best month in history of county for auto sales. One hundred Chinese pheasants liberated in valley.

Council decides to pave stretch of road on East Jackson street between bridge and present pavement. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

August 1, 1913. (It was Friday.) Jackson county Democrats accept Wall Street plot to start a panic and discredit President Wilson.

Corbin Edgell is down from his Brownsboro ranch on his week-end. Medford Sunday school picnic at Colestin postponed on account of the rains.

Announcement is made of the transfer of Rev. William B. Hamilton from Grants Pass to this city, as vicar of the Episcopal church. "The Way of the Wild Goose" at the It: "A Ringer for Dugan" at the Isle, and "Biograph and Vitagraph comedies at the Star.

Physicians of city praise new water system as end of sickness in city. Extra forest rangers to fight forest fires in county.

Broken window glazed by Trowbridge Cabinet Works.

Trial and Error

ONE of the best things about the Roosevelt administration is its resourcefulness. If one thing doesn't work, another is immediately tried.

In other words the administration program is elastic. It is geared to a system of trial and error. It feels its way instead of trying to bull it.

If a flank movement around the rock can be negotiated, without sacrificing an important objective, a flank movement is promptly ordered. But if that rock is directly in the path of the main offensive, the rock is smashed, and the Roosevelt tank with General Johnson at the wheel, goes reeling and plunging on.

THE retail code is a case in point. The code originally provided a maximum 40 hour week. With many stores, particularly food stores, operating as high as 60 hours a week, this drop was regarded as too extreme.

Twenty-four hours after that protest was registered, General Johnson had the code revised to meet this situation.

The 40 hour week, as far as food stores are concerned, was raised to 48 hours. Extra hours were also allowed on days preceding holidays, as were 12 days of 10 hours each, in each period of six months.

This may or may not be the final plan. Further trial may result in further modification, forward or backward.

The important thing is not the perfection of the new code, but the speed with which it was put in action.

SMALL wonder that Europe is amazed and gasping for breath, at this latest American phenomenon. They don't know what to make of it.

Naturally! Because it is peculiarly, and essentially, AMERICAN. The American soldier was not as well trained as the professional soldier of Europe, the enemy soldier he fought, was as brave as he was. But the American soldier WAS resourceful.

Under Roosevelt leadership the American citizen is proving himself equally effective in this world war against the depression. What has been done in the past means nothing to him.

He is only concerned with conditions as they exist, and what must be done to make the world safe for prosperity,—not for added wealth for the few, but for greater well being, and economic stability for the many,—the average man.

And it is IN that offensive he is now engaged.

It Isn't Luck

YES it is a very interesting time, in which to live. Every day, and every way, there is something new under the sun. A real revolution is taking place, but it is a peaceful revolution, and will so continue.

While on this subject one naturally discerns the real reason why the Roosevelt administration is so successful. It isn't luck. It isn't merely because the American people demanded a change and got it—and having got it were disposed to support any new program that was advanced.

It is essentially because, the Roosevelt administration, understood the real spirit of America—sensed its genius one might say—and utilized and coordinated that spirit, in the New Deal, which it proposed.

THAT'S the answer. That is why party lines are being forgotten, and why the Roosevelt administration is receiving such enthusiastic and unanimous support.

Roosevelt speaks the people's language, he answers the popular demand; he is in harmony with the American spirit, and every day is coordinating and utilizing that spirit.

This doesn't mean there are no breakers ahead. No rocks or sandy shoals. Nor does it mean, that those who are now throwing bouquets, will not, one of these days, be throwing dead cats by the tail.

But it does mean, that the major victory will be won, that, before reaction sets in, the main objective will be attained.

There can be no other result, when the true spirit and genius of the American people is genuinely embodied in the administration of their national affairs.

Not Too Fast!

IN THIS phase of the New Deal the people have an obvious duty to perform. This is, briefly, to show common sense and a certain spirit of restraint.

The war psychology is being used,—and properly so. But no hysteria or hasty judgments are required. The more the people insist upon going slow and keeping their heads the better for all concerned.

The causes of the depression ran deep. The economic war of destruction has been going on for a long time—nearly four years, in fact.

Time will be required to restore normalcy. A major operation must be performed before complete recovery is assured.

PEOPLE therefore should not jump to conclusions, that this merchant or that one is a slacker merely because the sign of the blue eagle, is not displayed AT ONCE. Some business men had conformed to the provisions of their code before the call was issued. Others had not. Some can conform READILY, for others it will take TIME.

The "others" should be allowed time—ample time. The government has no desire to work a hardship upon anyone, to discriminate against any individual, or any class of industry. Where injustice or unnecessary hardships can be shown, exceptions will be made. But granting exceptions, also takes time.

SO time, patience and tolerance are demanded in the success of this "noble experiment"—for EXPERIMENT it is. Our forefathers won an important victory because they refused to fire until they could see the "whites of the eyes."

That would be an appropriate economic battle order now. When the whites of the eyes ARE seen,—that is when refusal to join in this effort to reduce unemployment and increase

purchasing power is PLAIN—then will be time enough to fire. And then—and then ONLY—the firing should be straight and true!

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D. Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed.

WHEN YOU CAN NO LONGER COVER UP YOUR INQUIRIES YOU CAN ALWAYS FALL BACK ON THE OLD ALIBI.

According to a news dispatch a professional gentleman suffered a "nervous collapse" after he had been "excited" by a coroner in the case of a girl who had committed suicide.

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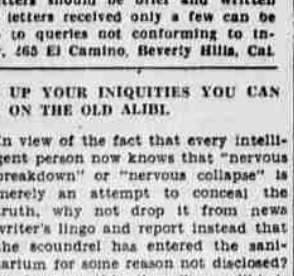
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NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

By O. O. McIntyre. NEW ORK, Aug. 1.—It strikes me the best entrance of any actor into a performance was that of Charlie Chaplin in his film, "City Lights."



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CODE FOR RETAIL STORES ORDERED IN EFFECT TODAY

(Continued from Page One) der, will have a 48-hour work week, the rest just 40. The grocer clerks will have an eight hour day except the day just before holidays, and an additional twelve days each six months when they may work 10 hours.

Wage Minimums Set. The scale of minimum wages for food dealers is \$15 in cities over \$500,000; \$14.50, between 250,000 and 500,000; \$14 between 200,000 and 250,000. The non-food retailers had a minimum scale a dollar lower with a further \$1 reduction for the 15 southern states and the District of Columbia.

Besides the wage terms, the two codes called for maintenance of a minimum of 52 hours operation unless recent practice was lower, and they bar all child labor except those over 14 for three hours between 7 a. m. and 7 p. m.

The two agreements for retailers and food dealers will be in force only temporarily, pending hearings at which their terms may be revised before becoming permanent. But those who subscribe to them now may obtain the blue eagle poster of N.R.A. just like those who comply with the voluntary wage-raising, hour-reducing presidential agreement.

Thousands Sign Up. Increasing thousands were signing the latter. Today the post offices all over the country began distributing in earnest the distinctive insignia which go to those who "do their part." The grand total of applicants was not known but the recovery administration staff at last had added up the telegrams and letters that replied to President Roosevelt's national appeal for cooperation.

Fifty thousand personal messages were in that stack. Thirty thousand telegrams, twenty thousand letters. Not all were pledges to aid the presidential program, but dissenters and cranks were a small minority. Meantime, the hearing on the steel code, started yesterday, was in recess, subject to recall, but with officials of the government and industry beginning negotiations to reduce the agreement's complex phases to terms which meet President Roosevelt's objectives.

Ponder Oil Code. Simultaneously, leaders of the oil industry considered a tentative draft of a code for themselves, written by Johnson's assistants. They will meet tonight to appoint committees to formulate a final, binding agreement. Johnson's plan is based on federal supervision of oil production and prohibits sales at less than cost of production.

Equally important was the increasing momentum in dealing with actual, concrete codes of fair competition for individual industries. The stack of four or five hundred which accumulated at the offices here has been digested, reduced to those which are in shape for handling, and are being moved up to the hearing stage.

Speed Signaling. More interpretations were made available today to speed questioners into signing the general voluntary agreements, all news men, editors and reporters alike, together with internets, nurses and hospital technicians, were lumped into the professional category and therefore exempt from work hour limits. Window cleaners and charwomen were included in the 4-hour so-called white collar class, which ranges from clerical and banking employees to deliverymen.

Non-profit associations were defined as employers for purposes of the act. Provision was made for the smallest establishments, run by the owner without help, to obtain the N. R. A. eagle poster by signing the agreement and certificate of compliance. Let's do it.

Communications

Monitor Was First. To the Editor: As a newspaperman, I thought you might like to know that the Christian Science Monitor, in other words, a newspaper, was the FIRST individual concern to reply to President Roosevelt's appeal re N. R. A. This response was given even before the President's radio request.

JEUNESSE BUTLER. Medford, August 1st. Reid, Murdoch & Co., canners of the Monarch brand Bartlett pears, will be represented at Medford this season by Myron Root.

Kill Two Birds With One Stone!

Here is an opportunity to invest your money—with ABSOLUTE SAFETY—in an institution that's home-owned and managed and building up this community!

Federal Home Loan Bank

membership carries with it exacting FEDERAL supervision which, added to our already rigid STATE inspection, gives the GREATEST OF PROTECTION... LET us tell you about it.

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Editorial Comment

Medford claims the proud distinction of being the only major city of Oregon to give a majority for the sales tax. Indeed it may feel proud. Medford Mail Tribune with its able editorials by Bob Ruhl; the gallant Jacksonville Miner; the influence of the concise arguments put forth so effectively by the marvelous Perry Twins—all helped.—Oregon Voter.

FINAL SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE CONTINUES. Hats 25c. Socks 4c. Silk Dresses, values to \$10, for \$1.95. \$2.95, \$3.95. Summer Shoes, values to \$4, special \$1. \$1.49, \$1.95. THE BAND BOX & SHOE BOX. "The store that saves you money."