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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

"THE ROYAL SCOT"
Sleeping cars of "The Royal Scot" repudiated the finest train in the world have no names—a refreshing contrast to the tongue-twisters that often adorn the sides of American Pullmans.

The train operated by the "London, Midland and Scottish Railway of Great Britain", on a visit to the North American continent, and the "Century of Progress" exposition at Chicago, stopped Tuesday at Dunsmuir, Calif. It was visited by school children of Dunsmuir, and citizens of Modoc, Butte, Lassen and Siskiyou counties. Also among those present were A. S. Rosenbaum of the Southern Pacific, William Aitken, the plumber, who as a boy watched the "Royal Scot" while on the honny breeze of Scotland, and your corr. Mr. Aitken was the train's most ardent admirer. He had known it as a boy and man. Mr. Aitken felt that a highland bagpipe band should have been along, which would have been too much, what with the depression still upon us.

Shooting the nightbirds along before and after, that visited the "Royal Scot" was Daniel O'Connell, chief of the Southern Pacific railroad special agents, who ten years ago this month was starting on a four year hunt for the notorious DeAutremont brothers, Siskiyou tunnel murderers and bandits.

The nameless sleeping car berths are more compact but roomier, than in a Yankee Pullman—say the Llacwomopia. A sleeper does not have to be as gifted as an Arabian acrobat to get into the upper berth. Neither is it a feat of contortion to remove the pants. Each section reeks with privacy. The car windows open with all the ease of starting a V-8. As perhaps you know it is like cranking a Model T, to open an American car window—and then not getting it open. The British windows open by pulling a lever. The upholstery within in the cars have diversified designs, in soft material. The traveler does not have to put up with long rows of green and red plush seats, or brownish leather ones.

The restaurant, or dining car, as do all the cars, have the side down the sides. The other side is devoted to tables, large enough to have an outfield. 24 pieces of silver, all deeply chiselled with the letters "LMS" interwoven, adorn the napery similarly marked for identification, in case of theft. Your corr. has no idea what for it would be proper to grab first. Meals cost from 15c. to 25c. 6d. "wines from our own cellars extra".

The luggage van is about the size of the old fashioned Jacksonville closet. This is the baggage coach ahead.

The regular British engine crew and train crew were grabbed by the Dunsmuir CoCo and motor over to inspect a fish hatchery. A ride would be appreciated. The engine was in the round-house. It has drive wheels 81 inches high, and goes 600 miles in 10 hours. The engine has no place to sit down. British efficiency also requires that the throttle be pulled across the cab, and is located high to the engineer. The fireman has a seat, but no time to sit down, as the engine burns coal exclusively. No. 1601 has no cowcatcher. Man or beast upon the right of way has no chance of getting caught. Instead of being pinned between the cowcatcher and the rail, the deceased is about four coaches back from the engine, and easier to remove. The bell is located just above where the cowcatcher should be. Mr. Aitken stated this was not there when he was a boy.

It took 15 minutes to march thru the train, and was worth it.

Next to the "Royal Scot," the most interesting sight was the California sales tax in operation. Every purchase over a dime, requires a cent sales tax. A two-bit meal, costs a penny sales tax. People were paying their cent sales tax, with no great anguish. Farmers drinking their beer in Yreka, did not faint or scream, when they paid it. The editor of the Siskiyou News said the sales tax was working fine, had authorized all school taxes, and was netting \$32,000,000.

Get the Facts—First!

A RURAL subscriber comes to this office to howl against the county budget. He is mad,—mad clear through. The very idea, says he,—that any budget committee could think of increasing taxes at such a time as this, with the people unable to pay the taxes they now owe. It's an outrage. He wants something done about it, and wants it done right now. All right. Does he know why an increase in the budget was necessary. No he doesn't. Well before he howls against a budget increase, shouldn't he find out why that increase was made!

DOES he know what a deficit is? Yes he does. Well if he had a deficit in his own business to meet this year what would he do about it? Well he would pay it if he could. If he couldn't he would,—well probably he would have to let his place go.

EXACTLY! Well the county has a deficit to meet, due principally to county relief and the cost of the "Good Government" trials,—both expenses which last year's budget committee did not anticipate, and therefore did not provide for.

What would he have the county do? Meet that deficit or let the county go—go through bankruptcy.

Well he supposed it would have to be paid. All right—but HOW can it be paid without levying taxes to pay it!

BUT they have actually raised wages for some county employees—when thousands of people are out of work and have no wages at all!

All right, again. Some wages HAVE been raised—over last year, but are still far below the year before. Does he know how much they have been raised, how much the total wage raise, affects the budget as a whole?

No he doesn't and he doesn't care. There should be no salary raises at all! and—and—

BUT JUST A MINUTE! If you have a valuable and experienced employee who will quit his job unless he gets a raise, what do you do? Just fire him and hire someone else? Perhaps so,—but not if you have an eye to the welfare of your business.

You decide, first, whether that increased wage is a fair wage, for what you are getting under conditions which prevail; you decide whether you would be money ahead, by giving a slight increase and keeping your experienced force, or hiring an inexperienced man, and impairing the efficiency and production level of your business administration.

That's a sound principle in PRIVATE business isn't it? Well then why isn't it a sound principle in the PUBLIC business?

In short we told our irate visitor to get the facts before he yells, to find out just why this year's budget is higher than last year's, before he condemns the well known citizens of Jackson county, who after weeks of work and study, prepared it.

Then when he knows what he is talking about let him go before the budget committee at the public hearing next month, and register his complaint.

If the budget as prepared, can be reduced without being penny wise and pound foolish,—without ultimately increasing the tax bill, by reducing the efficiency of business that MUST BE DONE,—let's reduce it by all means.

The members of the budget committee, as tax payers themselves, certainly don't want a higher tax than circumstances demand.

But for the love of Mike, get the facts—all the facts,—FIRST!

Buy—Help Your Country and Yourself!

GOVERNMENT statistics just released show clearly why the N. R. A. has bogged down.

Employment and payrolls have risen steadily since the summer peak but everything else, particularly buying, has declined. Employment, for example, since July has increased from 70 to 75; payrolls have increased from 49 to 53; but production has declined from 100 to 80; freight car loadings from 65 to 59; sales from 71 to 66.

In other words the final step necessary to balance the N. R. A. set-up and make it a success, has NOT been taken. The people of the country as a whole, have not, as they have been urged to do, started to buy. The buyers strike that was such a vital factor in the depression, is still on.

Or to express it in another way, while the business men have done their part, raised wages and increased the list of employees; the people—the consumers—have not done theirs.

GENERAL JOHNSON has urged them to buy. President Roosevelt in his gold control pronouncement, has given them another inducement to buy—for raising the price of gold will inevitably increase commodity prices. But apparently the people have not believed what has been told them, or at least haven't acted upon that belief.

Nevertheless prices have increased during the past four months, and are bound to increase more. Those who do not buy will PAY FOR IT, when they are forced to purchase what they need—either that or the entire relief program will fail, and conditions will become even more chaotic and desperate than they have been.

There is however a hopeful factor in the situation. With employment increasing and payrolls increasing, the purchasing power of the country as a whole, is greater now than it has been for a long time. It takes time, however, for this money to get into circulation and return to those who have distributed it. There is good reason to believe that statistics for the next quarter will show an increase in buying from this cause alone.

And when it once starts, it is probable that the buyers strike will gradually decline.

In short this N. R. A. program is a very intricate one, and to function completely takes time. The thing to do is to give it time, on one hand; and for those who have money, to start spending it on the other.

Charley Chaplin hit the nail on the head when he said:

"The unemployed have nothing, but there are ninety million people in America, myself included, who have means—who have the purchasing power to buy now and who can help to put those unemployed back to work. After all, we are not making any sacrifices. On the contrary, it is to our advantage if we buy now, because prices are bound to rise later on."

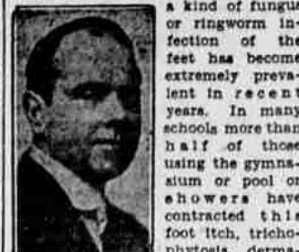
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By William Brady, M.D.

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RINGWORM OF THE FEET.

Among college and high school students, patrons of gymnasia and swimming pools and bath establishments, a kind of fungus or ringworm infection of the feet has become extremely prevalent in recent years. In many schools more than half of those using the gymnasium or pool or showers have contracted this foot itch, trichophytosis, "athlete's foot" or ringworm, as it is variously called.



The parasite is picked up by walking barefoot on a surface previously contaminated by the particles of infected skin dropped from the feet of another person who had the itch. It is a wise precaution never to touch naked feet to floor in any such situation, or in a hotel room or aboard a train or boat; always carry your own slippers, even if they are only paper covers.

In some gymnasia and swimming pools the spread of the foot itch has been prevented by a shallow tank or tub of solution of a pound of photographer's hypo (sodium hyposulphite or sodium thiosulphate as it was formerly called) in the gallon of water. Each person passing to or from the shower or pool or dressing room steps in the foot bath for a moment. A dusting powder composed of one ounce of sodium hyposulphite mixed with five ounces of boric acid has been found effective in preventing and curing mild cases.—It is used in the stockings and in the shoes as a foot powder.

An ointment first recommended by a London skin specialist and named after him Whitfield's ointment, is perhaps the most reliable remedy for foot itch, whether the fungus infection be confined to the feet or spread to other areas, say the hands, or sometimes in the crotch. This is the recipe for Whitfield's ointment: Salicylic acid 15 grains Benzolic acid 25 grains Cocoonut oil, enough to make one ounce of ointment. Directions: Apply each night for a week to the affected patches of skin. Wash off each morning. Rest a week. Resume if necessary. For use in the daytime Whitfield suggested this lotion: Benzolic acid 1 1/2 drama Salicylic acid 1 dram

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Acetone 1 ounce Diluted alcohol, enough to make four ounces of lotion. Directions: Dab or sop on once a day and allow to dry before dressing. This lotion alone may be the preferable remedy of the two in moderate cases.

The simple immersion of the affected portion of the foot in plain gasoline (not kerosene) for half a minute on two successive days has apparently produced a complete cure in many cases. At any rate it relieves the itching.

The fungus cannot stand a degree of heat that the skin will endure. Some sufferers assert they have obtained a cure by baking the feet or even by soaking them in water having a temperature of 115 degrees F. Few persons can or will endure more than 112 degrees F. in a foot bath, however.

Not all that itches the toes or feet is ringworm. In the south, where hookworm prevails, the itch may be ground itch, the irritation produced by the penetration of the skin between the toes by the hookworm larvae.

Then sometimes a good deal of itching, without skin blemish other than that of excessive sweating of the feet.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Iron Is Black. Having taken iron and ammonium citrate for a week, I notice the defects appear black. Is that all right?—Mrs. McK. E. G. Answer—Yes.

False Legend. Ben told an old time physician said eyeglass could be greatly improved by looking into the direct rays of the sun for about 10 minutes each day. —Mrs. V. A. Answer—This is the first intimation I have had that Ben was a physician. The legend you cite is false. That experiment would blind you.

Baby's Head Is Flat. Back of my baby's head is almost flat. He is 4 months old. Does it come from lying on his back? Is there any way to shape it out now? —Mrs. W. H. Answer—Place the baby now on one side, now on the other and sometimes let him sleep on his belly. The head will acquire a better contour as he grows older. (Copyright, 1933, John F. Dille Co.)

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Every suburb—I think of Forest Hills in particular—has those little off-the-path streets, abutting with discreet propriety. For blocks the houses are arranged precisely as chocolates in a box, the same front yards, the same clip to hedges, same lounge halls and mixture of Elizabethan woodwork with Georgian red brick. The wives, indeed, seem to shop in the same, model of nutria coat!

Yet suburban dreams are often nightmares. Some years ago, during a hard up hiatus, we experimented with life in one of a row of all- alike houses. A pleasant change, hearing the crickets and tree frogs from their grotto of hushed shadows and gazing upon the petty affairs of friendly neighbors. But sometimes they became too friendly. The neat, bleak woman next door, for example, who harbored unquenchable enthusiasm for funerals and dropped in nightly to tell us about them. We fled from her back to the city with a \$60 check from old Ainslee's. One thing they can never subtract from Manhattan's massed charm—neighbors never, never drop in!

It was Charles and Kathleen Norris, as I recall, during the struggling era, who lived in a walk-up fringing Washington Square. Across the hall lived another young couple. All the time they lived so close they did not speak. Years later a whim of destiny carried them in the same canal caravan, trekking to the Sphinx. As they grouped about, Kathleen nodding toward the majestic silences of the Sphinx observed to her fellow flat dwellers: "It had nothing on us!" The toe was broken and they enjoyed a contentful talk.

I am told the very last sketch Ring Lardner contributed to the New Yorker was "Odd's Bodkins!" It was a lusty, stinging and bubbly travesty of this column, done with all the fine Lardnerian tilt for accuracy. He had promised Harold Ross, the editor, the skit for many weeks, remarking: "I want to burlesque Odd McIntyre just once before I die!" And he died magnificently.

Not many writers ever showed the fortitude of Lardner in his last months. Sensitive to his wasted frame, he saw only his family, Percy Hammond, John Wheeler and next door neighbor Grantland Rice. His nights were dreary tortures of agony and wakefulness. He would sit at the bedside and tap out a word at a time between paroxysms. Sometimes a word, then a solid hour before another. Yet in this way he continued to make the world laugh.

After dropping my hat, cane and gloves, and in leaning over to retrieve them, my bill fold and pencil, at the Music Hall this afternoon, an annoyed gentleman next seat barked: "You could not do better with a dozen rehearsals." It's complete." (Copyright, 1933, McNaught Syndicate, Inc.)

Halloween Masquerade DANCE AT PROSPECT GYMNASIUM SATURDAY October 28 Music by Roy Finch's Jungle Band of Medford

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 October 25, 1923 (It Was Friday) Citizens aroused by rumor that the

Itinerant evangelist who started the Klan rumpus will return for another series of religious meetings. Local phone rates to be raised. Siskiyou bandit suspects turn out to be lost hunters.

Local citizen stabbed in a packing house fight, out of danger. California agrees to build highway to Oregon state line.

Henry Ford is strong for Coolidge, "if he will get after the wets." Medford high football men play Roseburg in the latter city today.

Butte Falls in market for a good bakery. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY October 25, 1913 (It Was Sunday) Tourist season ends at Cater Lake, as winter sets in.

American intervention in Mexico now regarded as inevitable. Police force to be augmented to hold down rowdism on Halloween.

Two autos collide with a bicyclist on Main street, and a hot argument ensues, with a fist fight. All concerned disappeared before the police arrived, and settled everything with a drink at the Naah Bar. Final effort underway to save local youth from death on the gallows this week in Salem prison.

Card of Thanks. We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our many friends for the acts of kindness and sympathy extended us during our recent bereavement, also for the beautiful floral offerings. Adolph Woodrich, Johnny Woodrich.

Swedish Massage Hours 2 to 5 Corrective Exercises By Appt. Oscar S. Nissen, P.T. Physical Therapeutics Formerly Director and Instructor Massage Dept., Boston City Hosp. 528 E. Main St. Medford, Ore.

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NEW YORK DAY BY DAY By O. O. McIntyre

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—The utter desolation of Manhattan street cars has that quality of neglect of the dying horse car days. The horse car became a museum piece. When I came to town more than 30 years ago, the morning and evening rush hours were constant battles for a strap. No one hoped for a seat. The red Broadway surface cars especially bulged with human cargoes. To swing on them was an adventure. One might jostle Oscar Hammerstein, away with John J. McGraw, Paper Collar Joe, Bosman Bulger or stand vis-a-vis with Kitty Gordon. For even stars were unashamed to ride the Broadway surface—aristocrat of cars.

Today a packed street car even at the rush hour is a novelty. The rest of the time they bump along forlornly, sometimes with two or three passengers and often empty for blocks and blocks. Increased subway facilities, of course, are principal causes of the street car's abandonment.

Next is the de luxe auto bus, plushed in Pullman splendor, coupe with the extraordinary number who journey to work in their own cars. Many of the companies operating street cars are in receivership. Twenty years more and they will be memories.

No showman is quite so interested in the layman's opinion as Roy, although opinions of his professional brothers mean little. In any gathering Roy will invariably draw out the stranger as to personal reactions to this form of stage show or the other. In other topics he's a total loss. His thoughts, conversation, everything he sees is in terms of the theaters.

Service Appreciated



W. E. Fulton, Big Oak Service Station, Eagle Point, says fair price adjustment under marketing code reveals service as sales builder. Richfield users refuse to be satisfied with service and quality below Richfield standards, he contends. Yale Tire sales trend upward.

HOLY OPENS TODAY "Hitting the High Spots In Panama's Hot Spot" For 3 Days Oct. 25, 26, 27 THERE WERE PITFALLS AT EVERY STEP—AND SHE DIDN'T MISS A SINGLE STEP! Medford's Finest Theatre—Where The Air Is Changed Every Seven Minutes "The Finest in Sound—Why? Because The Holy Theatre—Was Built For Sound!" SENSATION HUNTERS STARRING ARLINE JUDGE • PRESTON FOSTER PLUS—FEATURE SHORT REELS