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Ye Smudge Pot

It does not seem like a year, since there was a reported deplorable shortage of honest men, in these parts—it seems like two years... Klamath Falls and Eugene both have "model liquor ordinances"

A Washington, D. C. dispatch states: "Government experts will try to determine why taxes are delinquent... Many who are not experts hold to the fool opinion, that taxes are delinquent because they are not paid."

PIONEER CHIVALRY MOUNTS (Pendleton East Oregonian) Umalla—Several of our young ladies and gents observed the comet at a very early hour one morning last week, but while so doing the "Umalla Owl" was observed serving them and reported them in dishonorable in his observations which were published in the Washingtonian, Walla Walla, which, of course, made the fair ones feel quite indignant over his owlish fabrications.

One of the 1934 autos will have the "air-flow control innovation." If it works on the auto, maybe it can be used on orators... Grants Pass reports, "brave pansies blooming at Yuletide." It may be included in a similar trick, it would be called "foolhardy."

"ETERNAL FITNESS" (Topeka, Kan., Capital) Miss Fern Fudge and Miss Mary B. Sweet entertained a few guests informally Saturday afternoon at their home complimenting Miss Burde Nesch of San Diego, Calif., who is spending several days with them.

Boys continue to play marbles with all the fervor of their Pawa playing a slot-machine, with one glorious chance in 100,000 to win... The lynching spirit flared again in California the first of the week. A gent shot two ladies in the back, because they failed to pay \$15 rent.

In spite of all the economic woe, and nothing being right in the world, a citizen bravely announces he will journey to Los Angeles to see the Columbia-Stanford football game. He is actuated by no other motive, and is too shrewd to think up a legitimate excuse. The game is more of a foregone conclusion than a wrestling match, and will not be as interesting.

Patriots who howled every time Belgium was mentioned from 1914 to 1918 can now dry their tears. Belgium has not paid her war debt to America either, though able to do so. It was to save Belgium that Americans were successfully employed, "to give till it hurts," and "make the world safe for democracy" at the same time.

There is a more optimistic tone in the country these days. They have placed the pickle barrel back in the 1926 corner, where visitors can get at it, and quit hiding the cheese knife... A 58-pound midbook anchor and 13 feet of chain were stolen from the yacht of E. B. Jones when he left it for a short time at a dock in Seattle, Wash.

The 70-piece band of Texas Technological college will wear uniforms made from cloth woven in the school's own mills.

The Roosevelt Peace Plan

WE HOPE President Roosevelt is right. For if he is, the entire prospect for world peace and human betterment is transformed with the coming of the new year. Certainly this sorely tried world could have no better Christmas present.

IN HIS radio speech at the commemoration of the 77th birthday anniversary of Woodrow Wilson last night, the President acquiesced in the American refusal to join the League of Nations, but in reality adopted the essential principle of that league, and its idealism.

That essential principle is a world organization devoted to world peace not implemented to secure it, through force, but through moral suasion and common agreement, supported by world opinion.

Its idealism rests upon the assumption that President Wilson made, and President Roosevelt now accepts, that the danger to world peace lies not in the world populations, but in the political leaders of that population.

IN other words, President Roosevelt believes that the people—the rank and file,—of ALL nations, want peace and do not want war. He believes that the present dangers of war, are due to the leaders, the politicians in control of the various governments, who fail to represent public opinion, and are secretly and maliciously working for war, contrary to the desire of their constituents.

This was President Wilson's idea. It was the cornerstone of his slogan, a war to end war,—"to make the world safe for democracy." He believed, for example, that if the autocracy of the kaiser were overthrown and the people of Germany were given a republic, not only would the people of Germany demand peace, but insist upon its permanence.

Roosevelt expresses a similar idea when after condemning contemporary political leadership, he declares:

"Men and women they serve are so far in advance of that type of leadership that we could get a world accord on peace immediately if the people of the world spoke for themselves."

Could we? That is the all important question. Would the people of Germany today for example, if they could speak for themselves, overthrow Hitler, abandon all hope of a union of the German speaking people in Central Europe, unprotestingly conform to the provisions of the treaty of Versailles, and forget all about the Polish corridor?

Would the people of France if they could control their own national policies, agree to radical modification of the treaty of Versailles, abandon their military alliance with the Little Entente, and allow Germany and Austria to form a customs union?

We think not. Yet unless ONE action or the OTHER is taken, the conditions that make another European war practically certain, still exist and no force moral or military now in evidence, can prevent it.

THE view of this paper, however, is not very important,—the information upon which it is based is very limited, whereas the information the President has is not only extensive, but in this particular instance he takes pains to point out, that his suggestion was reserved "until assured after a HARD-HEADED PRACTICAL SURVEY that an overwhelming majority of the population, not only in the United States but THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, would subscribe to such an objective."

The emphasis upon "hard-headed practical survey," and "throughout the world" is ours. For certainly those two items are of supreme importance.

In other words, as far as President Roosevelt is concerned, the thought has not been sired by the wish. In making this plea for a New Deal in world peace, he has not allowed a theoretical idealism, to run away with his sound judgment. He has made a thorough survey of world opinion and he is convinced the people of the world if given a chance would subscribe to his objective.

WHAT is this objective? For all nations to "eliminate all offensive weapons and join in a declaration that no nation would allow its armed forces to cross its own borders."

A tremendous order, certainly! In the first place what are offensive weapons,—obviously the weapons themselves can't be so classified for it's their use that determines their character. In the second place, does this invasion prohibition mean that, no matter what the provocation France could never allow its armed forces to cross the Rhine; Germany to cross the Polish or Austrian borders; Japan to send a gun over the present boundaries of its island empire?

It must, of course. Such a provision can mean nothing else. Well, would Japan ever sign such an agreement?

True, there is a peace party in Japan as there is in every country, but it is a weak party and a minority one. Even if the militarists now in control were overthrown, would the Japanese people abandon their desire for more land and more raw materials, by agreeing never to send a soldier beyond their present boundaries?

WE would like to believe they would, but frankly we can't. Even if every world power but Japan signed such an agreement, and Nippon was therefore not only isolated, but plainly the one serious threat to world peace—would that bother Japan?

Well it HASN'T. Japan theoretically is isolated now, and makes no bones about grabbing what it can from China. While she is condemned generally by world opinion, nothing is being DONE about it.

Yet the President further states:

"It is clear of course that no such elimination of aggression and of weapons of offensive warfare would be of any value to the world unless EVERY NATION WITHOUT EXCEPTION entered into the agreement by solemn obligation."

Doesn't that doom the Roosevelt peace effort to the same failure that has overtaken the Wilson League of Nations?

It does in the opinion of this newspaper. But as before stated, the opinion of this newspaper is really only the opinion of one individual in 120 millions.

We never thought President Roosevelt could do the job before him a year ago, but he did—and he did it extremely well. Perhaps he can now give the WORLD a genuine New Deal. We hope he can. For that would indeed be a blessing to every nation and all humanity.

BUT for ourselves, we must stick to the contention we have held for a long time, namely, until one of two things happen there can be no such thing as permanent world peace:

Either man must cease to be essentially a FIGHTING ANIMAL, or

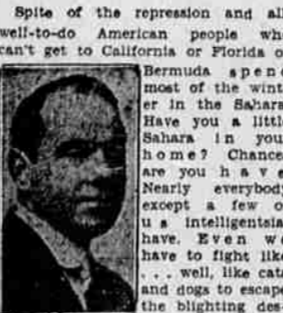
Any organization designed to secure world peace, must be backed up by ARMED FORCE to PREVENT any nation from waging war.

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. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

ARE YOU ENJOYING YOUR SOJOURN IN THE SAHARA?



Spite of the repression and all, well-to-do American people who can't get to California or Florida or Bermuda spend most of the winter in the Sahara. Have you a little Sahara in your home? Chances are you have not. Nearly everybody except a few of us intelligentsia, have. Even we have to fight like ... well, like cats and dogs to escape the blighting desert aridity.

One memorable winter I resolved to preserve proper humidity at all costs, and accordingly I had every radiator in the house fitted with the only efficient portable humidifier I have yet seen. This consists of a capacious tank covered with a grill or screen, under which is a rack or framework by means of which several yards of wicking is suspended so it dips in the water and draws it up where it is readily evaporated.

Some people imagine steam or hot water radiators do not dry the air out as much as the air furnace does. There is no choice between them on that score. The thing that determines the relative humidity or dryness of the atmosphere—whichever you prefer to put it—is the degree to which you heat the air. At 64 to 68 degrees F. the air still retains a fair amount of water vapor and is "conditioned" for comfort. With every degree of heat above 68 the air becomes drier and drier, so that by the time you get the temperature up to 75 or higher, you are treating your household to a regular sojourn in the Sahara, at the trifling expense of the extra tons of coal you burn to achieve your fiendish end.

There are now available various excellent humidifying systems which can be built in when the home is erected. For the sake of health, comfort and economy, every new home should include some provision for conditioning the atmosphere. It saves not only health and good looks but the furniture and your plants. It certainly saves fuel.

The installation and running of the humidifier I mentioned is really no burden. Where there is an invalid in the family, particularly one with chronic bronchial, lung or nose or throat trouble, the improved condition of the air will be grateful, for the artificial Sahara atmosphere is notoriously irritating to the respiratory mucous membranes, where as a moderately moist atmosphere is balmy and soothing.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Design for Dwindling The subject of obesity and its treatment is discussed in detail in the bulletin No. 10 in the Little Lessons in the Ways of Health series, under the title of "Design for Dwindling." It is the hardest of all these booklets to get. In order to get a copy you must comply with these four requirements: (1) Ask for the monograph by name; (2) inclose 10 cents in coin, not stamps; (3) give your name and your title, your age, height and weight; (4) inclose a stamped envelope bearing your address.

When I am hurt, physically or otherwise, or angry or embarrassed or frightened, I invariably burst into tears, much to my chagrin and the discomfiture of others around me. My brothers razz me a good deal about it. What is wrong? (Miss M. H. P.)

Answer—Nothing. It's just an old feminine (luckily I thought in time not to say woman's) trait. Try not to use your gift unfairly in competition with your less fortunate sisters.

Is it safe for a woman with leakage of the heart to become a mother? I am 22. When I was 10 I was in bed eight weeks with leaky heart. A doctor who examined me lately says there is a "blow" but that my heart seems all right now. (Miss C. J.)

Answer—If you can run half a mile at your own gait, or swim 50 yards or skip a rope a hundred times or run up three flights of stairs, you can stand the strain of motherhood, all right.

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Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FEW changes in the recovery program, we read, are to be asked of congress by President Roosevelt.

That means, of course, that the President is pretty well satisfied with the program as it stands. So, we might add, is the majority of the American public.

NRA, viewing it dispassionately in the light of some five months' experience, is a fine thing for the big industries, such as lumber, oil, steel, chemicals, etc.

It is eliminating a lot of the chafing practices that were so disastrous. It is making possible, for the first time, control of production, so that supply may be somewhat adapted to demand.

NRA, if it is upheld by the courts, will probably prove to be the salvation of the lumber industry, enabling it to do something in the way of production control that it has been trying to do for 20 years, but FAILING.

If NRA stabilizes the lumber industry, it will be a godsend to the Pacific Coast.

SMALL business, it must be added in candor, has not been helped by NRA, except as it may have benefited by general improvement in business conditions due to the aid extended to big business by NRA.

PWA, which means public works administration, has been a fizzle so far—at least, that is the humble judgment of this insignificant writer. The public works administration has become so wound up in red tape and responsibility that it will be unable to spend any considerable amount of the vast sums placed at its disposal until after the emergency has passed.

About what will happen, it appears now, is that PWA will begin to get really into action about the time that general business improvement is setting in in earnest, which means that PWA activities will enter into competition with private business for labor and materials, thus helping to

exaggerate the boom that usually follows a depression.

CWA, on the other hand, has been a pleasant surprise. Its effect has been to put money IMMEDIATELY into the hands of those who need it and will spend it. This money substitutes for the dole, as practiced last winter, and has the tremendous advantage of retaining the self respect of those who receive it, whereas the dole makes paupers.

For nearly three years, we have been trying devices to increase purchasing power, but about the only noticeable result of these devices has been to pile money up in bank vaults. CWA has got the money out and put it to work.

AA, which is the agricultural adjustment administration, is still on trial.

The scheme to levy a tax on certain basic farm products, in order to raise the money with which to hire farmers to keep their land out of production, seems to have worked fairly well in the case of cotton and wheat. In the case of pork, at least so far as the Pacific Coast is concerned, it has been a cruel delusion.

The processing tax has come out of the farmer's pocket, thus reducing still farther the already too low price for hogs.

ALL these devices, however, are too new to be judged accurately as yet, and the President is wise to watch his new system in operation for some time longer before making changes in it.

GET NUMBERED FOR NEW YEAR'S At the Fireman's Ball in Good Old JAYVILLE SATURDAY Where They Will DANCE till 2

HOLY ONE WEEK TOMORROW Sat., Dec. 30th ... MAKE WAY FOR THE BIG PARADE OF THE SHOW WORLD! Only Warner Bros. can make musicals—and Warner Bros. have done it again! First "42nd Street"... Then "Gold Diggers"... Now the master attraction of them all... More beautiful girls... More lavish spectacle... More songs and laughs... Greater stars... And best of all Jimmy Cagney, himself, singing and dancing on the screen! Strike up the band! On with the show! Here comes—

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