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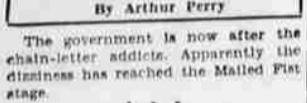
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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

The government is now after the chain-letter addicts. Apparently the distinness has reached the Mailed First stage.

Yesterday was Mother's Day. A queen of the tennis courts weakened and washed the dishes for her, 6-1; 6-3; 6-4; 6-0.

The legal and political pestering, incidental to the reconstruction of the destroyed state capitol at Salem may result "in a nameless third party arising from the ashes, the leaders of which are now making political medicine, and emitting whoops of discontent."

Former Heavyweight Champion Gene Tunney Friday snote a San Francisco banker in the proboscis, causing that vital instrument to swell and turn slightly to the left.

The wolf formerly on the running board and at the kitchen door, is now reported robbing Trail section henhouses.

Speed-demons have tamed down, till they don't make any better time than a milk-wagon chased by Wall St.

"Let X represent the Oregon highway system," argues the esteemed Humboldt (Calif.) Standard, "it would be more appropriate to let X represent the Oregon highway system."

"Social justice" looms as the 1936 campaign issue. It has long been maintained that justice is too scorable, but nothing much has been done about it.

ALA SOLE LEATHER. (Pasadena (Calif.) Post)
The other day I tackled a roast beef sandwich, so-called. What the material between the slices was could not be determined. I tried to bite into it, but failed.

College and high school foot races, in track meets Saturday stepped the 100-yard dash to 9.6 seconds. Farmers being chased by Wall street make no better time.

Truck Parked Two Years
KANAB CITY, Mo. — (UP)—An abandoned truck, parked across from police headquarters more than two years, finally has been towed away to a junk yard. In the two years no parking violation tickets were hung upon the truck by police and the original owner was not found.

Editor Puts Out "Stark Edition"
PORT CLINTON, O. — (UP)—Raiph Snyder, editor and publisher of a weekly here, couldn't wait until his regular deadline to tell the town about his new daughter, Marie Louise. So he issued a special "stark edition" a few days in advance of his regular paper.

Old Auto Fixes Cut Noise
KAUKAUA, Wis. — (UP)—Discarded automobile tires are being fitted to Chicago and Northwestern Railroad baggage trucks in the line shops here to reduce noise of trundling them over station platforms.

Hen and Rabbit Hatch Eggs
LITTON, Ind. — (UP)—A Rhode Island hen and a wild rabbit are sharing the duties of hatching the hen's nest of 22 eggs at the farm home of E. L. Silvester, near here. Each occupies one-half of the nest.

The Poor Little Pigs

SECRETARY WALLACE is wise to go to the farmers and find out what they think about the AAA. If they don't want it certainly no one else in the country does.

No other feature of the New Deal has been so generally condemned and ridiculed, as the Wallace scheme, particularly the plowing in of wheat and the slaughter of the little pigs. Rivers of tears have been shed over this waste of sustenance with thousands starving, etc., etc., etc.

Yet what has been done for the farmers, is nothing more than what the manufacturers of the country have insisted upon doing for themselves.

Practically all manufacturers have cut down production to meet decreased demand. None of them have gone full steam ahead, storing up surpluses which they knew could not be sold, and would lower the price of what could be.

But to hear some of the most vociferous critics of the New Deal talk, this is what the farmers of the country, should have done. They should have raised all the wheat and corn and cotton, all the cattle and pigs they could have raised, and to refuse to do this, and in the bargain get paid for NOT doing it, was not only economic folly, but morally wicked and wrong.

YET this is what every other business in the country has done, and under similar conditions always does. It is the law of self-protection under the profit system. It is also common sense.

For under the profit system there is no substitute for the old law of supply and demand.

What would have happened to the clothing business if all the clothing manufacturers had put out all they could produce with their equipment on hand; what would have happened to the canner industry, if all the canners had operated to their full capacity? Yet the people have needed clothes and canned goods just as they have needed bread and pork.

SECRETARY WALLACE is quite right in saying that for the first time in history a serious attempt has been made by the government to put the farmers on an equality with other lines of industry.

Production has been reduced just as manufacturing production is reduced, protection and remuneration which has been accorded manufacturing by the tariff structure has been given the farmers through the processing tax.

MOREOVER THE SCHEME HAS WORKED. Criticize the theory of scarcity as you will, rail at the processing tax and laugh at the plowing in of little pigs, the fact remains, where wheat farmers, cattle and pig raisers before the New Deal was instituted couldn't make a dime and were most of them operating at a loss; they are now for the first time in many years operating at a profit. There is today money in cattle, money in wheat and corn, money in pigs, and the reason is, the national supply of these commodities has been reduced where it more nearly equals the demand.

THIS is the best answer to those who maintain the AAA has been a lot of hooey and but for the drought would have been a complete flop. The drought undoubtedly has been a large factor, but it has only done in a short time, what the AAA was DESIGNED to do over a longer period. In such matters it isn't theories for or against, it's RESULTS that count.

And higher prices for farm products which was the chief aim of the AAA program have unquestionably been achieved.

So, we repeat, the Secretary of Agriculture is wise to go to the farmers of the country and find out what they want to do about the AAA. If they don't want it continued certainly, no one else does.

But if they do want it, now is the time to get up on their hind legs and say so!

But It Isn't True

In a contemporary favoring the bonus bill we note the following:
"The demand for immediate payment of the bonus contributed its share to the election of Mr. Roosevelt. If any ghost troubles the slumbers of the smiling man in the White House, it must be that of the man in uniform in desperate financial straits calling for help."

From the above one would conclude that during the 1932 campaign Candidate Roosevelt came out for immediate payment of the bonus.

Unless the editorial memory is entirely at fault, this is precisely what F. D. R. did NOT do.

The heat was turned on at various times, and unless we are mistaken, this paper at one time, charged the democratic candidate with trying to secure veterans support, by maintaining silence regarding the bonus, and giving the country the impression he was for it.

At any rate it is our distinct recollection that Candidate Roosevelt finally did break his silence and before election day, came out unequivocally against the immediate payment of the bonus.

In fact this was one of the high lights of the campaign.

So while the smiling occupant of the White House may or may not be troubled by ghosts, they are certainly not ghosts from the army of bonus marchers, of 1931 and 1932.

Candidate Roosevelt went on record during the campaign, and has repeated his stand since election, that he is opposed to immediate payment of the bonus from an empty treasury.

So on that issue at least he need be troubled by no ghosts one way or the other.

Japs Photographed Hall
PHILADELPHIA — (UP)— Independence Hall, the historic shrine of liberty, was recently photographed by two Japanese photographers. They took pictures from all angles and views with motion-picture cameras. But when a crowd started to gather, the two men slipped away before they could be questioned.

Dog Freed Dog
NEWBRUNSWICK, Mass. — (UP)— The intelligence of a dog was displayed in front of the Rev. Harry Climes' home. A small dog failed to clear an iron fence, being caught between the spikes. A shepherd dog passing by stopped, surveyed the situation, then jumped the fence. With its paw it pushed the imprisoned dog free.

Slenderize with Spinner Individual
DESIGNED CORSETS, MAISON JEANNE, 161, 467.

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. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

THE FISH OIL AND CATARACT LEGEND
A reader says some one told her he read in a newspaper that a woman took halibut fish oil internally and cured her cataract.



Now I wonder whether an item printed in this column Saturday, February 9, can be responsible for the legend.

Woman who cataract developing in one eye went to oculist, who instructed her to take cod liver oil, which she did, and her eye became well in a short time.

Before I printed the item I tried to elicit further information from the correspondent, but without success.

In animals such as rabbits it is possible to produce cataract by deprivation of vitamin G. Whether lack of vitamin G, or insufficient vitamin G in the diet is a factor of senile cataract in man is not yet known, but there is some reason to believe it may be one factor.

We do know that insufficient vitamin A in diet is a cause of night blindness. That may have been the nature of the trouble in the instance the reader reported. Popular ideas concerning cataracts are generally vague.

For instance it is a common notion that cataract is a kind of opaque skin, or growth, on the "lens." Cataract is an opacity within the eye, a degeneration and clouding of the normally transparent crystalline lens. Opacities or growths which appear on the eyeball are sometimes mistaken for cataract by laymen. It is conceivable that the cure for cataract reported by the correspondent was actually the healing and clearing up of some such surface opacity.

Night blindness, nyctalopia (sometimes incorrectly called heretofore, which means day blindness), is quickly cured by an optimal ration of vitamin A, that is, more of this vitamin than is necessary for the maintenance of health. In night blindness the individual is unable to see clearly when the light is not bright. One who has perhaps worked all day or played all day in the sun, finds that as dusk approaches he has difficulty in seeing as well as normal persons do. In a well lighted

room he is all right, but in the dark he is at a disadvantage and likely to stumble over obstructions which a normal person can see well enough. He suffers from a deficiency of night blindness a few doses of fish liver oil, or a liberal ration of raw carrots, or plenty of butter, or some escarole (chicory greens) or spinach every day, or cream cheese, Parmesan or American cheese, or two or three eggs a day, and he will recover his ability to see in the dark.

It seems that the retina or sensitive film of the eye contains a substance known as visual purple which sensitizes the retina to the action of light. In full daylight this substance disappears from the retina, bleached by the light, and before the eye can adapt itself again to dim illumination the visual purple must be formed again in the retina. In a normal person this takes only a few minutes, so that the momentary night blindness on passing from bright sunlight into a dimly lighted room is brief. If the diet is poor in vitamin A ability to reconstruct the visual purple is lacking.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Cruelty to Infants
Is it harmful to a two-months-old baby to give it 30 drops of paregoric every night to get sleep? My physician advises this, but I would like your opinion. The baby will not sleep at all without paregoric, and often has colic but is awake and cross whether he has colic or not. (Mrs. F. C.)

Answer.—Paregoric is camphorized tincture of opium. It seems incredible that a physician should advise or cause the use of opium to put a baby to sleep. If your doctor acquiesces in the idea of "colic" too, I advise you to sever all relations with him and employ an intelligent one.

Physician Takes Calcium Lactate
For two years I have taken calcium lactate (or gluconate) for a period of six weeks about every five months, and it has almost done away with my migraine. (M. R. S., M. D.)

Ans.—Thank you, Doctor. You should also get plenty of vitamin D, and all the sunshine or ultra-violet you can absorb through your skin. (Wiseacre hold off, ultra-violet is not substance.)

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There is always something warming, too, about the professional loyalty of Bobby Clark and his stage mate Paul McCullough. Since the days when they became a couple of runaway kids with a circus from Springfield, Ohio, they have struck to a rather one-sided partnership. Time after time Clark has been offered big sums to star alone, but refused. McCullough goes with him in equal billing or he won't play. McCullough is a stooge and an excellent one, but nevertheless a stooge.

Upper Madison avenue expresses faith there are still extravagant people who will money in the world in a de luxe shop selling bird cages. Some are priced as high as \$400. The latest \$20. They are done largely in chromium and one has perches and swings done in glass by Lalique, no less. Every possible gadget is included in the layouts, even a tiny thermometer and a silver door plate upon which the names of the birds may be engraved.

Bagatelles: Ralph Barton thought Billie Dove the most beautiful of all the Ziegfeld show girls. — Bertin Bralery's thinking cap when posturing is an outrageous old hat. — Lilly Pons is adding weight with cream cheese and a glass of milk just before going to sleep. — Ann Pennington still takes dancing lessons. — Michael Allen's next act and it's about time—is "The Green Hat" manner. — Frank Buck will make one more jungle safari and live in Hollywood. — Harold Bell Wright, when he comes to New York, rides the bus tops!

My favorite soda jerker near Grand Central, removing his coat for the day, observed this evening: "You might not think this job is fun but it is." He'll own that, or some other drug store one day.

MILLIONS OF CARS STILL IN STORAGE
ATLANTIC CITY (UP)—Out of the 26,000,000 motor vehicles in the United States, between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 are in storage. But by the end of 1935 improving conditions will bring 1,800,000 of them back into service.

Frederic F. Chaffant, of Detroit, president of the American Trade Association executives, gave that report. He added that by the end of 1935 also will see 2,500,000 new cars and trucks produced and sold, and 1,300,000 old autos junked.

Chaffant declared the automobiles now out of service include not only family autos, whose owners are in financial straits, but business trucks and trucks for which there is not sufficient work.

"However," he said, "we find stored machines coming out rapidly every last year. The business in parts, equipment, tools and repair shop machinery showed a 35 per cent gain. This year we expect a greater increase as vehicles are overhauled and returned to the road."

Chaffant and a committee completed arrangements for the 1935 Automobile Show to be held in the municipal convention hall here.

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.

THIS headline looms from the front page of a Portland newspaper: "Portland Ga-Ga on Chain Letter Craze. Pad Clogs Mail Service and Threatens Industry."

What is true of Portland, it might be added, is true of everywhere else. We've all gone chain letter crazy.

WHY? Perfectly simple. It's a new scheme offering prospects of getting something for nothing, and we're all inclined to go a little "ga-ga" over things like that.

The New Deal, for example. RAYMOND HAMILTON, rusty gunman of the Southwest, dies in the electric chair at Huntsville, Texas.

His death, the dispatches tell us, closes a crime career that began with sneak thief operations in his teens, and developed swiftly to bank robbery, kidnaping, prison breaks and murder.

The trouble with these first missteps, such as petty thievery, is that they lead progressively to WORSE mis-steps.

The best policy is never to take the first one. SIDELIGHT in the news: F. Brandon Smith, Jr., real estate operator of Charlotte, North Carolina, is awarded \$125,000 in his suit for damages for alienation of the affections of his former wife.

His former wife should feel quite set up over the fact that her affections are regarded as being worth the sum of \$125,000.

AN ITEM in the news that ISN'T a sidelight: "A new peace time spending record by the federal government was in prospect tonight for the current fiscal year with treasury figures showing expenditures in little more than 10 months in excess of six billion dollars."

We're a long way from the days when we used to run the government of the United States for around a half billion dollars a year.

A SUMMARY of the government's income and outgo for the present fiscal year reveals this situation: Total expenditures..... \$6,912,958,246 Total income..... 5,145,494,111 Total DEFICIT..... 2,868,464,135

That's running in the hole pretty fast, isn't it?

The gross national debt on May 4, 1935, stood at \$28,860,183,674. On the corresponding date a year ago, the gross national debt was \$26,087,311,398.

A quarter of a century ago, it was around ONE BILLION.

We've certainly made a lot of progress in the past quarter of a century, but whether it is forward or BACKWARD remains to be seen.

Communications

All Knotted Up.
A state lottery—why not? asks the Mail Tribune. Three additional why nots—and a couple other knots tossed in for good measure.

The Oregon Sweepstakes, once a month at Salem. Tickets on sale at all state liquor stores, for persons between the ages of 10 and 60. Physical qualifications, clarity, with intelligence enough to articulate see to men. Each drawing day to be done waaaaa work anyway.

Taking chances—gambling—is the one thing we is most fond of. Ever since a guy named Neanderthal found that he could heave rocks simply by bending his elbow, we have been gambling. This mug—Neanderthal—look a chance one day and he heaved a fair sized boulder off n his spouse's cocoon. Ach! One, two, three, she tossed him into a gully and pushed in a couple tons of limestone to soften a refractory disposition. He took a chance and lost. Ever since that memorial day the instinct for gambling—taking chances—has been wiggling in our system.

In order not to shock our state network of pneumatic nerves too much concerning a state lottery, suppose we handle it this way: All prizes are to consist of state bonds. Would this sort of thing be intelligence—a raffle, a gamble, or a game of chance, of skill, mood, or a sound financial investment? I ask you? O. L. BULLEN

718 South Riverside, Medford, May 11.

Praise for Angus Bowmer. To the Editor: Do the people of southern Oregon fully realize what Angus Bowmer?

DRIVE IN FOR PLAN BOOKS AT BIG PINES LUMBER CO. PHONE ONE

Flight 'o Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
May 13, 1925
(It was Wednesday)
President Coolidge, in speech as New York, pleads "for common sense in spending, of both private and public funds."

The tent show announces a "farewell scamper," or dance, at the fair grounds.

Plan advanced to give a portable high school costing \$50,000" is regarded by both Holly street and P. & E. site proponents for new high school building "as too ally for consideration." Holly street site slogan is "Holly Street for Health and Happiness. The P. & E. Site for Politics and Profit."

General shortage of all kinds of labor in valley. Citizens urge drafting of "tramp autolites and street corner loafers."

Government to take action against "huge rum fleet anchored off California coast."

Twenty Years Ago Today
May 13, 1915
(It was Thursday)
Battles raging fiercely on all European battlefronts. Germans claim surrender of 22,000 Russian soldiers; French and Belgians launch offensive in Flanders and Turks sink British battleship "Gollath."

The police are looking for a gent who secured money from a number of Medford people Wednesday upon the allegation that he was starving to death, and afterwards spent the results of his aims-seeking in buying whiskey.

A subscriber resents calling the last shower "a pitiful rain." The editor duly apologizes and calls it "a spittin' of rain."

Public opinion of America, "aroused over Lustrine horror," demands Democratic administration cease bending the knee to hostile powers.

Drank, Said X-Ray, Doctor FINDLAY, O. — (UP)—It required X-ray, a doctor and several nurses to discover that John Murphy, 50, of Cleveland, was intoxicated. Police found him, apparently in pain in a gutter. He was hospitalized. After a physician had decided Murphy had drunk some poor liquor, he was returned to city jail.

800 Years in Prison. DUNKERQUE — (UP)—Irma Vilyn, 60, has been condemned to more than 800 years in prison for drunkenness and theft. This is a record for prison sentences in France and probably in the world. Irma comes from Hoxess, and recently came before the correctional court here for the 80th time.

Woman's Lawyer Word Artist ST. CLAIRSVILLE, O. — (UP)— Mrs. Agnes Taylor, of Bellaire, O., believed in hiring a lawyer who apparently had a thesaurus when she filed a divorce petition against her husband. The petitioner's word picture said the defendant was "ill-natured, ill-tempered, jealous, hellacious, cantankerous, haughty and petulant."

Huge Mushroom Grown SAN BENITO, Tex. — (UP)—A mushroom 15 inches in diameter and one inch thick was displayed by a grocery store here. The giant mushroom weighed 7 1/2 ounces and was grown by D. S. Williams on his farm near here.

Law and Garden Furniture BURK'S 114 E. Main Tel. 448

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE See CARL Y. TENGWALD 125 West Main St.

BEAUTY Loses None of It's Grace SERVICES performed under the stress of time. Yet to be performed without losing any of the dignity or beauty of a regular service, are sometimes necessary. It is at such times that the high standard of our professional services, and the complete equipment which we are able to offer, is fully appreciated

CONGER Funeral Parlor West Main at Newtown Solicited for membership in Order of Golden Rule and declined.

DRIVE IN FOR PLAN BOOKS AT BIG PINES LUMBER CO. PHONE ONE