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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry.

One Oregon officeholder whose term of office does not expire until 1941, has announced his resignation and endorsement of the Spousal Old Age Pension plan. At the same time, without mentioning it, he came out strong for "Safety First."

Some advocates of cash rewards for college athletes favor paying them a share of the gate receipts, instead of \$200 per month. In any event, many who have suffered from "athlete's foot" are going to wish they had his pocketbook.

Dock Deane, the home-grown economic expert, looks for a complete change in the present order of living. If things pan out the way he figures, breakfast will no longer be eaten in the morning.

The University of Washington has established a "dating bureau" to find partners for male students and co-eds, at social functions. This comes close to being a service for romantic abolitionists. It must be wonderful to have a college education, and not know enough to pick out your own girl.

The state attorney-general has ruled beauty parlors cannot be combined with light housekeeping quarters and cooking therewith is forbidden. It seems a patron complained her nose was powdered, with the main ingredient of bicarbonate.

Many who remain complacently indifferent to the mounting federal deficit would want to shoot somebody if Baker continued to start spending twice as much as it takes in—(Baker Democrat-Herald). Jittery signs from the wide-open spaces.

Tom Mooney, the imprisoned California radical whose sad fate has stirred many into the notion, he is a martyr, at a hearing to secure a writ that would give him freedom, dismissed his lawyers, and "took over his own case." It is the belief of many that Mooney, if freed, would feel the same way towards the government.

"Pictures in the millinery advertisements indicate that the hat-makers figure women's hats have looked like hats long enough." (Arkansas Gazette). A neat and mean dig for the ladies.

Photos show the Governor of Kansas, top flight presidential possibility of the Republican party, with his young son upon his shoulders. In the event the boy moves to the White House, he is not old enough to drive an auto like the Roosevelt boys, but will be scooting between senator's legs, on a kiddie-car.

A number of Northwest cities plan the installation of "parking meters" for autos on main streets. They will result in a lot of stepping-on-the-gas-instead-of-the-brake mistakes. The autoists feel something should be done about the auto stages, that use the middle of the main streets, as a depot.

Play experts disapprove of children "skipping the rope," as conducive to heart failure in future years. Take bicycle riding by juveniles in traffic. It strengthens the limbs and lungs of the young, and gives the motorist heart failure right now.

"Save your money for a rainy day, and the government will take it away from you, and buy an umbrella for a bum." (Thomson Co. Gazette). Rapt observation.

At the wedding match last night, all the Army chairs behaved themselves.

Governor Martin continues to oratorically lambast the makers of the state senate, for their attitude on progress at the late special session. The speeches are virile and so far have caused three editorials in the Oregonian, and all the senators planning to run for something next spring, to look abused around the lady voters.

Stoutish middle-aged women, a motor expert has discovered, are the safest drivers, but, my boy, you'd better be pretty darned careful whom you compliment on that score.—(Boston Herald). Word to the wise item.

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Two Tactical Errors

TWO tactical errors are apparent in the news. Dr. Townsend declares that he finds no hope in either the Republican or Democratic parties so he is going to launch a Third party—a Townsend old age pension party.

Politically speaking this would be suicide for the doctor and his organization.

A Third party in this country has never won a presidential election, and until conditions change fundamentally never will. As a militant and organized minority, affiliated with neither major party, threatening both, Dr. Townsend and his followers, possess a political weapon of tremendous power and potency.

Once transfer that weapon to a Third party, and politically speaking, all is lost. Such an organization will draw about equally from both major parties and injure neither. The political effectiveness of the Townsend movement will disappear overnight.

If Dr. Townsend's statement is merely a trial balloon—a political feat—to scare the Republicans (who want those Townsend votes), into giving him and his proposal their party support, then this action is not as foolish as it appears to be.

But if it is as sincere and straightforward, as other statements by the leader of the Townsend movement have been, then it demonstrates that the Long Beach doctor and economist, has much to learn about the fundamentals of practical politics, in the land of the free and the home of the brave.

THE other tactical slip must be charged up to the Republican national committee which met in Washington yesterday, and among other things, extended a formal invitation to Jeffersonian Democrats to support the Republican candidate in the forthcoming election.

"We appeal specifically to the millions of constitutional Jeffersonian Democrats for their aid. We believe they can most effectively safeguard their beliefs in American fundamentals through such co-operative action."

Bad, very bad. As things have been going the past several months, no doubt many Jeffersonian Democrats and ultra conservative members of the party have been seriously considering, switching their party allegiance in the next presidential election.

But if anything will keep them from doing so, this urgent and public solicitation from the G. O. P. national committee will certainly turn the trick. If there is anything the congenial Democrat distrusts more and hates worse than the Republican national committee, we are unable to recall at the moment what it is.

Obviously the wise thing for the national committee to do, was to say nothing, touch on wood, and let nature take its course.

Now the beans are spilled all over the lot, and by one public statement at least 50% of the standpat Democratic support they might have had, has been lost.

The Silver Situation

UNDER the Silver Purchase Act of 1934 passed under the sponsorship of the congressional silver bloc, the treasury is required to buy silver until the price reaches \$1.29 per ounce or until its holdings are equivalent to one-third of the gold reserve. At the time the law went into effect 1,312,611,915 ounces were needed to bring the treasury's silver supply up to this relationship with its gold reserves.

In carrying out the requirements of the law the treasury has acquired 761,774,000 ounces of silver since June 19, 1934. Meanwhile, however, the treasury's gold reserves have jumped from around seven and three-quarter billions in excess of ten billions. As a result, it is still necessary for the treasury to purchase approximately 1,135,000,000 ounces of silver to meet the provisions of the law. Thus, little actual progress has been made toward the attainment of the goal laid down by congress.

WHILE the treasury, with purchases running at a total of 20,000,000 ounces a week, has been caught on a treadmill in its huge silver buying program, many serious repercussions have followed. It is generally conceded that none of the benefits attributed to the program at its inception have been attained.

On the other hand, the monetary situation of silver standard countries, notably China, has been seriously complicated and this country's trade with them has suffered. In addition, demoralization of silver standard countries contributed further to general unsettlement of international currencies and has changed huge quantities of the metal from a currency to commodity status.

As long as the present Silver Purchase Act continues to be a law, the treasury must continue, as it announced it is doing, its purchasing of a large volume of silver that is unnecessary as a monetary reserve. A discontinuance of the policy, however, would be at the risk of incurring substantial market losses on metal already purchased and held by the treasury, as well as serious dislocation of silver countries now dependent upon the United States as almost the sole outlet for the metal at present prices.—L. W. S.

News Behind The News (Continued From Page One.)

Are the ones who let the word slip out. This is supposed to be under White House wraps now, but he does not wrap well. The theory behind his speech-making is that he appeals to intellectuals. On the same theory, Commerce Secretary Tupper is permitted to appeal to business men, while President Roosevelt pays little attention to either, but depends on a broader appeal to "the people." Thus all cover not only both sides of the street, but rake the middle as well. However, the story is time-worn, becoming too obvious, losing its effectiveness, and will be revised before the next campaign starts. President Roosevelt's favorite po-

litical adviser summed the situation up for him this way, after a recent tour: The Roosevelt personality is his greatest asset in the difficult campaign ahead. Consequently, he should get out on the road more frequently. The Chicago trip did him considerable good. With business conditions improving, there is a danger that he will run into a situation where the patient recovers but gets mad when the doctor submits his bill. Don't use radio, use the personal appeal. This means the kerocene circuit apparently is in for a pounding.

A seasonal Nebraska politician says Senator Norris will be a candidate on an independent ticket. He noted that Norris announced only that he would not be a candidate for re-election, but said nothing about the election. Also, Norris significantly declined affiliation with any party.

The fact is Norris might have technical trouble in the republican primary. He received possibly 25,000 democratic votes last time and won by 30,000. Next April, the democrats want to remain in their own primary for patronage purposes. Also a candidate in the republican primary must show that he is a republican. It might be embarrassing for Norris

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High degrees of heat destroy vitamins. For instance, ordinary boiling or pasteurizing (as in the pasteurizing of milk) destroys most of the vitamin C and still higher heating, as in baking bread, destroys some of the vitamin B, though so in ordinary baking it is found by actual measurement that the temperature inside the loaf scarcely goes above boiling temperature (100 C., or 212 F.) and only in the crust does the temperature rise high enough to destroy vitamin B. Plain wheat as it comes from the threshing is by far the richest natural source of vitamins B and E of all known foods for man. Wheat also contains a large amount of vitamin G and a fair amount of vitamin A. In various processes of refinement for making flour and other manufactured wheat products, these vitamins are largely removed or destroyed. Along with the vitamins, the greater part of the phosphorus, calcium, iron and other essential nutritive elements are removed. The fine white flour which remains as the finished product contains little vitamin B, only a trace of vitamin G and some of the vitamin A or vitamin E which grew in the wheat. It contains less than one-fifth of the iron, less than one-fourth of the phosphorus and less than half of the calcium of the original wheat. These essential nutritive factors are contained chiefly in the bran and the germ removed by milling.

Why remove the germ, which constitutes about five per cent of the wheat kernel? The fat or oil in the germ does not keep long, and flour containing the germ can not be transported long distances and stored for months before it is used. There seems to be no other reason for removing the germ. Why remove the bran? Flour containing the bran is not so fine or so white, and besides there is a popular tradition, shared by some physicians, that wheat bran is not digestible in the human alimentary tract. Too much bran may not be well digested by certain invalids, but there is no foundation for the notion that normal persons cannot digest bran. Physiologists who have investigated the question, notably Hindle, have found that the bran of wheat is well digested and assimilated by normal persons. Indeed, actual tests indicate that nor-

mal persons thrive well on a diet of whole wheat bread, oleo and tomatoes. For instance, whereas it is white bread is substituted for the whole wheat bread the same persons soon feel weaker and suffer with various symptoms of faulty nutrition. So it would seem that the assumption that bran is not digestible is a gratuitous one. The error of this morbid notion has been shown by careful physiological investigation. It is none the less absurd after they have been proved false and discarded, even if here and there some fine old medical gentleman of literary or social influence still harbors the delusion too. In medicine we can still get away with a good deal of weird hocus-pocus by pronouncing things so, but we carry the joke too far when we put the seal of approval on a defective staff of life.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Odor from Oil Heater Had our coal burning hot air furnace converted to oil burning. It gives off an unpleasant odor which causes me to have a headache. (Mrs. R. S. C.) Answer—Properly constructed and used oil burners give off no odor and are perfectly healthful. Perhaps the ventilation is faulty or perhaps there is some leakage from pipe or flue which requires repair. No doubt the firm or man who installed the new equipment will be glad to advise you.

Raw Food Please express your view of the practice of eating raw food, which some health experts recommend. (R. S. C.) Answer—Raw fruit, raw vegetables, chewing raw oats or wheat, drinking pure raw milk if you can get it, eating raw nuts, raw lettuce, cabbage, onions, celery, carrots, oysters if you like 'em that way, eggs if you prefer them raw, fine. But I do not think it is healthful, safe or advisable to eat meat, game, fish, raw or underdone, mainly because of the risk of trichinosis, tapeworm infestation, and from raw fish the flathead tapeworm infestation.

An Old Pharmaceutical Custom Is tincture of iodine poison? I put a drop on a kind of pimple or cancer in my mouth, and then noticed the label says poison. How much would have to be absorbed? (Mrs. K. R.) Answer. No. That's just an old custom. Ordinary dose of tincture of iodine internally is five or ten drops, when it is given medicinally.

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NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

By O. O. McIntyre NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Nothing in years so stressed the pitiable plight of Manhattan's street gamins as the play "Dead End," revealing the staggering squalor that festers and sloughs away lives and morals along those tenement blocks sprawling to the river edge.

Hundreds of these well-nosed, raggedy tykes escape death hourly and miraculously under the wheels of taxis and trucks. They have been whittled to an amazing alertness by asphalt and in bright-eyed beadiness coil about the pier ends into a depressing economic question mark.

That many escape the petty thieving that leads to gangstering, murder, prison and often the electric chair is quite remarkable. Yet a large percentage of them flounder and sink. Hardened and vicious criminals, with heroin and cocaine yens, in their teens.

Social workers, of course, have valiantly salvaged many from such muck and started them on useful lives. But as the city grows and the birth rate in such sections grows, so does the problem grow. Naturally the poverty of the times has added to the dilemma.

Chic Sale is another absentee looking the town over after a two-year exile. He is among the few actors not recognized on the streets, so deft is his stage make-up. In middle years he might, in his boyishness, be a soda fountain boy at the corner drug store. And is inausurably small-town in an outlook and manner. His old friends are greeted with "Hi Quintie!"

One of the most pronounced sectional changes down town is on Park Row along that strip once known as Newspaper Row. The World, Tribune and Sun clustered there and the sidewalks erupted furious activity from 10 p.m. until sun up. The old World building, with only an occasional

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shaft of light from its upper windows, seems plucking at the coverlets. Where Doc Perry's famous "Life saving station" flashed its beacon is now a radio store. All the husky newsmen, roaring trucks and sidewalk salesmen have vanished.

Louis Bromfield's wandering foot has this time taken him to one of the earth's tag ends. He was last seen dawdling over a gin-sling on a choice verandah of the Raffles in Singapore, his coat pockets stuffed with maps and memoranda of Thailand and other far-flung areas. His chateau by the mill pond in Senlis, France, is for sale. But this is not the first time. At intervals he decides to quit the European scene and settle in America but somehow he always drifts back to Senlis.

This has been one of those days when I looked forward to night and the exchange of action for contemplation, a day indeed that has not been without pleasant compensations. There was a check a bit larger than I expected—how pleasant that always is—and a thoughtful neighbor sends in a bowl of chilled custard. But such serenities are short lived for me. Just before leaving my desk I opened a letter from a feminine friend. In a casual P. S. she inquires: "O, by the way, did you ever hear of Mary Corrigan of Irrigan, Oregon?" (Copyright, 1935, McNaught Syndicate)

Comment on the Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS IN this column, recently, an estimate was given of the damage believed to be done annually by coyotes to livestock, deer and game birds—especially ducks. If these figures were anywhere near accurate, the damage is rather staggering.

THIS subject brings up a controversy of long standing in Southern Oregon, where it is believed by livestock men that the national parks and national monuments provide breeding grounds and sanctuaries for predatory animals, as well as for the game animals and birds.

The National park service, as everyone knows, permits no shooting or trapping in national parks, its purpose being to preserve in these areas conditions approximating as nearly as possible the natural wilderness—that is to say, as far as wild life is concerned.

These conditions, quite obviously, are favorable to predatory animals, such as coyotes, as well as to game animals.

AMONG livestock men, the Lava Beds national monument, just over the Oregon line in Northern California, has long been regarded as a breeding ground for coyotes, and there has been considerable complaint on this account.

This complaint has led the park service to make an investigation, and for some time two men from the wildlife division of the national park service have been in the Lava Beds country. As a result of the findings of these men, it is probable that at least one park service trapper will be kept in the Lava Beds for two or three months next spring.

This trapper will devote his attention principally to coyotes.

IN connection with his work, some interesting investigations are to be made. The stomachs of all coyotes taken will be preserved and sent to the laboratories of the western headquarters of the national park service in San Francisco, and there analyzed to de-

China. Why don't Japan and Italy jump on some power of their size? Why? Just because that would show the yellow streak in them, or any other power that would do the same thing that they are doing. Not only our government at Washington, but the whole American people, must clamp down hard (and say) we must keep out of Europe's trouble (and mean just that). If England and France would take some of that money that they are spending on war material of all kinds, and pay their honest debts to the United States, it would be a great help to relieve the burden of debt that is piling up on us every day.

Wouldn't that be a treat, to have that money and buy warm clothes, and put shoes on many a poor, hungry and half clothed child here with us. Don't you think that would be more like Christ would have us do with it? Will the time ever come when we can say: "Peace on earth, good will to men?"

P. J. KIRKPATRICK, Star Route, Box 37, Dec. 15.

Flight 'o Time Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 Years Ago

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY December 17, 1925 (It was Thursday)

The heavy fog of the past two days lifted this morning, giving the delegates to the state horticultural meet a chance to see the general scenery.

The 1926 auto plates will be black with white figures.

Christmas rush now in full swing at the postoffice.

The high school basketball squad shows poor form. After thirty minutes of throwing baskets they only scored two. Coach Callison gloomily states: "This is the world record for missing."

Senator Robert LaFollette, Jr. of Wisconsin assailed President Coolidge's attitude in the soft coal strike.

The Misses Lucille and Ruth Fluhr returned from the University of Washington for the Christmas vacation.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY December 17, 1915 (It was Friday)

Weather Man Gentner promises a white Christmas for the Rogue River valley.

Laundry wagon driver is fined \$5 in justice court for failure to obey the crossing driver's signals to stop.

Taxpayers' league to meet and adopt constitution at meeting to be held next week.

The Shakespearean club meets at the home of Mrs. C. O. Powers.

State game board liberates Bob White quail in the Evans Creek district.

Margaret Hington in "The Lie," a stage play (not a movie), booked for the Page theater next week.

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