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Ye Smudge Pot. It will soon be Jan. 1, and time to buy new auto license plates, as long thereafter as it can be delayed.

The wind blew 45 mph. Thursday night. It rained down, and Fri. was like a March day in Nebraska.

Ev. Brayton has his picture in Pop-Tune Mag. He is picking pears in an ad put in by the Rosenberg Boys.

East Jackson St., that for years was so rough, even the speed idiots allowed down has been fixed, and in fine shape for short skirts.

The Dubb Watson boy will be 12 yrs. old come Nov. 29.

Walter Leverette opened up a new magic lantern show at Ashland Thurs.

Pig-sticking is the order of the day in the rural areas, and the farmers are forced to make out the best they can eating country sausage and their own hams and bacon.

The H. Flewler dog proved last Sunday his tail is attached as firmly as a wrestler's head, by pulling a hunter out of Klamath Lake, while he clung to the caudal appendage.

J. Kort Hall, the fretting horticulturist has returned from Lakeview, where he had a rest. He will not start spring fretting over the pear crop, until after the ice season.

A number of grid fans hid themselves to Frisco over the week-end to see the BIG GAME, and everything else that came handy.

Thursday is Thanksgiving. There will be widespread eating of turkey gizzards and legs.

The Portland high school champions will play a Seattle school, instead of home state football team Turkey Day. Like Salem, they used good judgment in not picking Bend.

The Bends can wallopp anything in Oregon, that gets in front of them in football suits, and still in high school.

Bert Harr of way up the Applegate tower Fri. It was his first appearance on our streets, in many moons, as he has been busier than the very dickens.

U. of W. co-eds have boycotted Japan products. They never saw a Japanese on a soap-box, advocating the overthrow of the government, and the drowning of the Mayor.

Quite a few went to C.P. Thurs. eve and filed up on vittles cooked by Orange girls.

Editorial Correspondence

SAN FRANCISCO, November 19.—There is a persistent rumor there is to be some sort of a football game here tomorrow, or perhaps it's at a little village called Palo Alto down on the S. P. a spell. Haven't been able to confirm the reports as yet.

We left Medford this morning at 6:30, it was still raining and as dark as the inside of your hat. Failure of one wind shield wiper to function and a "rocky road to Dublin" detour near Talent didn't help very much, so when we reached the summit we were ten or fifteen minutes behind schedule.

Not until we passed the revolving airplane beacon to the left did the clouds on the east start to lighten a bit. And the headlights weren't dimmed until we rolled into the quarantine station for the usual inspection.

Needless to say we have motored over this stretch of highway many, many times, but never before in such a storm as beset us from Yreka to Shasta City. Lady Luck rather than any expertness as a navigator saved us from landing in the ditch.

We would like to know the name of the Neon Light millionaire—there must be one—probably several. Seems to us, here is a chance for a good write-up by some enterprising magazine hacksmith.

This was our first trip over the new bridge under our own power. Our initial voyage was under the auspices of the S. P. and in a dense fog. But while the rain was still coming down when we hit Albany, the visibility was not impaired, and we veered off the highway for the bridge without delay or mishap.

The prediction for the big game tomorrow (our operatives have just brought in the evidence to sustain the report that Stanford and California are going to tangle tomorrow and are not really celebrating today) is rain! Well, there IS something new under the sun after all.

This big game is going to be unique for us in another direction. We are going to motor down to Palo Alto before lunch instead of after, and after the game we are heading not for Nob Hill,—thank the Lord—but for Los Angeles and (we hope) the sunny south.

ARTILLERY DUEL ON ARAGON LINE

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Spanish government and insurgent forces clashed all along the Aragon front today, near Sabinaudera, near the French frontier, to Turin, more than 200 miles south—while bad weather still prevented any important movements.

A Barcelona communiqué said the principal attack by insurgent artillery was in the Zuera sector north of Zaragoza. Catalan gunners broke up insurgent concentrations at Casa Batallero in the Sabinaudera sector, Barcelona reported.

A previous government dispatch said field guns scored direct hits on an insurgent staff headquarters at Fuentes de Ebro.

RABBI BACKS UP METHODIST STAND ON RED BAITING

PORTLAND, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Portland Methodist Ministers' association, criticized by the Catholic Sentinel for its attack on police red squad activities, had a champion today in Rabbi Henry J. Berkowitz of Congregation Beth Israel.

Saying he was "deeply grieved" at the Sentinel's attitude, the rabbi said the Methodist group's resolution protesting compilation of a police list of citizens suspected of subversive activities resulted from a "distortion of the communist label."

"I would stake my life upon the assertion that the 'red' association stands second to none in its violent rejection of communist theory," he said in a sermon last night.

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.

THE ARIDITY OF SAHARA WITHOUT THE SUN. Most urban folk spend the winter in a climate drier than Sahara but without the benefit of the desert sunshine.



Outdoor air at zero temperature with a relative humidity of 50 per cent (that is, containing half the moisture it could hold if saturated), when heated to 70 degrees F. has a relative humidity of only 3 per cent.

mate known, which is seldom less than 25 percent. The year around humidity in Death Valley, California, averages 23 percent, and at Yuma, Arizona, it is 35 percent in the driest month of the year.

The excessively dried out air of the heated house (it matters little what type of heat is used), causes wood-work to shrink and fall apart, book bindings to crack, plants to droop and die, the skin of occupants to become harsh and irritable, mucous membranes to become congested and hypersensitive.

Comfort, health and economy demand for everyone either a suitable air-conditioning equipment installed with the heating system or at least some provision for evaporating a reasonable amount of water daily in the air of the heated dwelling.

The other fault with the climate where most people spend the winter is absence of sunshine. It is not merely the warmth of sunshine that makes the ideal winter climate attractive; it is the greater proportion of ultraviolet rays in the sunlight near the equator.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Memories of the news room: The new reporter with "New York experience" and a Greek letter class pin. Making out a check, paying for a state correspondence and hiking ante for the telow in your home town.

Mr. Skoggs were a skull cap and sat in a far-away corner clipping "time copy" from exchanges. Once a foreign correspondent for a New York Herald, Elmer Farr, who traveled with the ball club and carried binoculars over his shoulders to the races.

The annual arrival of Dex Fellows with plenty of free circus tickets—even a pair for your barber and bartender. Andy, the crack stenographer, who could not read, write, Jake Orl, the composing room foreman, who could cuss a blue streak and did several times daily.

The all night election vigil and the publisher treating everybody to sandwiches and coffee at dawn. Calming the rough guy who came in roaring to lick the editor, Miss Tessie Blutz, who wrote the sob sister stuff under the pseudonym Millicent D'Orsay.

Ye Olde Brushe. GRANTS PASS, Nov. 20.—(AP)—A shaving brush used by all the men of a 46-wagon emigrant train which crossed the plains in 1847 has been presented the chamber of commerce by Mrs. Alice Carson Hamlett, daughter of the original owner.

His Worries. GRANTS PASS, Nov. 20.—(AP)—For 25 years Stanton Rowell's hair has been silver-white. A year ago he sold both his music and photo shop and a men's clothing store. Now his hair is growing black.

CHAMBER BOARD VOTES AGAINST FOREST CHANGE

Directors Unanimous In Decision To Keep Service Intact—Favor Fund To Eradicate Blister Rust.

Board of directors of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce stood unanimously committed yesterday on three matters considered of major importance to southern Oregon.

The board voted: 1.—That the United States forest service should be left where it is under the department of agriculture.

2.—That sufficient funds should be appropriated and allotted for the complete eradication of blister rust in order to save southern Oregon forests.

3.—That flood control should be left with the federal United States army engineers.

Timber Peril Told. The directors voted on the proposals only after lengthy discussions in which, in some instances, experts gave their views. The decisions were reached at the board's luncheon-meeting in the Hotel Medford Friday afternoon.

It was brought out under the current plan to reorganize the departments of the federal government, the forest service would be placed under a new department of conservation. The board considered this part of the general reorganization plan fraught with danger.

Conrad P. Wessala, in charge of blister rust control in this district, told the directors that an epidemic of the disease threatens destruction of white and sugar pine in southern Oregon and northern California.

Notifying Congressmen. To save the timber stands blister rust must be eradicated within three years, Mr. Wessala stressed.

The board voted to direct the chamber manager, A. H. Banwell, to write to each of the Oregon congressional delegation recommending that funds be appropriated and allocated for complete blister rust eradication.

Speaking for the fish and game committee of which he is chairman, Everett G. Townbridge recommended that the present system of paying bounties on predatory animals be continued. Under a new plan the bounty system would be terminated and the destruction of predatory animals would be put in charge of four federal government trappers.

The question was discussed briefly by County Judge Earl B. Day and fully by Arthur J. Crews, junior district agent of the U. S. biological survey. Crews presented statistics to show that better results are produced when the destruction of predatory animals is left to government trappers than to the bounty system.

Left to Court. After hearing the talks and discussing the matter themselves, the directors decided that as the best solution as a protection to stockmen, sheep raisers and turkey growers the matter should be left for final conclusion to the county court.

At the suggestion of Mayor C. C. Furnas and the city council, H. A. Austin, president of the Medford Motor Bus company addressed the board, explaining past operation of the line and plans for the future. It was the board's consensus that there is a place in Medford for this transportation medium and members proffered their cooperation.

Twenty-four were at the meeting, including Fire Chief Roy Elliott, Col. E. E. Kelly, E. W. Carlton and John C. Ulan, government trapper in Douglas county.

MOSCOW, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Soviet Russia's scientific party which has spent six months near the North Pole reported today it has solved the "riddle of drift from the North Pole to the Atlantic."

A radio communication from Pyotr Shirsov, the party's hydrologist, said the movement of "millions of kilometers of thick, strong ice is one of the grandest phenomena of nature."

The announcement, coming on completion of the party's sixth month on an ice floe which has drifted about 430 miles since the Russians landed near the North Pole last May 21, did not elaborate on their findings.

50 INJURED WHEN VIRGINIA TRAIN DROPS OVER BANK

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., Nov. 20.—(AP)—Approximately 50 persons were injured and an unidentified negro was killed in the wreck of a Norfolk and Western passenger train near here today.

Two passenger coaches and two baggage cars left the rails. One of the coaches, carrying several women and children, rolled down a bank and came to rest on the edge of the Bluestone river.

The other three cars overturned on their sides across the tracks. The cause of the accident was not determined.

Ambulances and private automobiles from Bluefield, Pocahontas, Va. and other points brought the injured to hospitals here.

Most of the injured were men returning home from the night shift in the Norfolk and Western's power house at Bluestone. The train, running from Columbus to Norfolk, was about five miles west of Bluefield when the wreck occurred.

Physicians said they expected several of the injured to die. While snow whirled around the battered coaches, rescue workers toiled for two hours up and down slippery banks bringing out injured.

The interior of the car which went down the bank was twisted and torn. Hundreds of bloodstains were visible on the floor. The car was tossed against top and sides in the terrifying descent.

Police report wood thieves busy in city. Tax levy for Medford to be 12.5 mills.

HUGE DOPE RING IN LAND SMASHED, CHINA TONG HIT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Secretary Morgenthau said today treasury agents, in synchronized raids across the country, had smashed a \$750,000 a year narcotic distribution ring.

The secretary said preliminary reports to Harry J. Anslinger, commissioner of narcotics, showed 10 importers and large scale dealers in illicit drugs, most of them operating through the Hip Sing Chinese tong, were seized.

Anslinger told reporters the arrests made previously during the investigation indicated the narcotics handled by the syndicate had been imported from Japan, Persia and France.

The treasury announcement said Mary de Bello Pennochio and Vito Pennochio, wife and brother of Tommy ("The Bull") Pennochio, member of the notorious Luciano gang, were arrested in New York City as principal importers for the Chinese distributors.

Officials said it was the most extensive attack against alleged distributors of narcotics since March, 1935, when more than 1,000 persons were arrested.

The agents, in squads, struck at the same hour last night on predatory animals in New York City, three in Boston, two in Chicago and two in San Francisco.

INDIAN'S ARREST SERMON TOPIC OF WESTON PREACHER

WESTON, Ore., Nov. 20.—(AP)—The Rev. Perry McArthur, pastor of the Weston Methodist church, south, said he would denounce from his pulpit Sunday the arrest of a half-breed Indian near Pendleton last Monday.

He said the incident involved "atrocious brutality," and that he had filed a complaint in Pendleton but was not satisfied steps were being taken to reprimand the three officers, two in uniform, who he asserted participated.

McArthur invited all peace officers to hear his story. He said he had presided in justice court in an area larger than Umatilla county and his experience had included no comparable instance.

Sheriff Robert Goad informed the minister in a letter the man arrested had ignored a command to stop in Pendleton and officers had to shoot the tires of his car which was "being driven by a drunken driver." He added that neither he nor his deputies participated in the arrest.

MUSSOLINI PLANS CABINET UPSETS

ROME, Italy, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini today announced a shakeup in his cabinet and colonial administration in which the Duke of Aosta was named viceroy of Ethiopia and Il Duce himself assumed the African portfolio.

The 39-year-old Duke of Aosta, a tall officer of the air corps, who helped conquer Ethiopia, was appointed in the place of the veteran colonial warrior, Marshal Rodolfo Graziani. Aosta is a first cousin, once removed, of King Vittorio Emanuele.

In taking charge of the ministry for Italian Africa, Mussolini replaced Alessandro Lesona. Il Duce honored Gen. Arnaldo Teruzzi, a veteran of the 35-month campaign, by naming him first assistant in the African ministry.

Flight 'o Time

Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY. November 21, 1927. (It was Monday.) Corvallis high defeated, 39 to 6, by Medford high.

State aid for local irrigation districts urged. Seventh story building planned for corner of Main and Holly streets.

Elka's Christmas tree committee named. U. of O. football players scolded for singing and trampling flowers around sorority houses.

A. J. Hanby is elected president of county teachers' society. K. Nakano, local eating house operator, found slain on South Front street, and it is a mystery.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY. November 21, 1917. (It was Wednesday.) British break the Hindenburg line in greatest offensive of the year on the western front, and advance five miles.

"Dock" Wright returns from a trip to the Blue Ledge mine. Lyle Walther enlists in the aviation corps.

Epper rolls in 54 cars to take care of the valley apple shipments. Orpheum vaudeville to be presented by Elka at their Christmas tree celebration.

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Behind Washington Headlines

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Custer's last fight, rip-roaring days of the gold camps. The sum asked is \$882,457,354.51, a claim brought by the Sioux Indians for alleged deprivation of property and hunting rights in violation of a treaty.

The battle of statistics indulged in by Secretary Morgenthau and Senator Byrd before the members of the Academy of Political Science in New York a week ago last Wednesday was only a skirmish.

Government observers report activity in the Byrd camp. They say he's planning for a big spring drive and that he's armed to the teeth with devastating statistics.

And so the show goes on, last leaves fall, the old gray squirrel on the White House lawn, peeping as he buries another nut, quotes old Omar: "The moving finger writes; and, having writ, moves on: nor all your piety nor wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

ROOSEVELT TOOTH TROUBLE BETTER

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, kept abstinent of this week by a dental infection, felt so much better today he arranged to go over with Daniel Bell, acting director of the budget, plans for next year's government expenditures.

The president set aside two hours this morning for the conference with Bell in the executive mansion. Stephen T. Early, one of the president's secretaries, said Mr. Roosevelt's temperature had returned to normal and that the swelling of his face which followed the extraction Thursday of the infected tooth had greatly subsided.

Early said the president now is almost certain to carry out his plan to go to Warm Springs, Ga., for Thanksgiving. Asked what happened to the extracted tooth, the presidential secretary smiled and said so far as he is concerned that is and shall remain a mystery.

Bank Founder Dies. ASTORIA, Nov. 20.—(AP)—Samuel S. Gordon, co-founder of the First National bank here 32 years ago, and its manager since, died yesterday after a two-month illness. He had never married, and left no near relatives.

John Webster, 17th century playwright, wrote a tragic-comedy entitled "The Devil's Law-Case, or, When Women Go To Law, the Devil is Full of Business."

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