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Ye Smudge Pot by Arthur Perry. A copious rain is urgently needed to take an impromptu census of the town roofs.

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Mr. Bridges of Australia, the Pacific coast labor agitation problem child, and labor department peddler he is member of the Communist party.

The Governor's appeal last week for more spiritual backbone among the people, as yet, has caused no candidate to turn evangelist.

COOK A MEAN CUSS (Pendleton East Oregonian) "Some folks don't care at all what becomes of the courthous pigeons."

Harvesting of the tomatoes has started. They show the effects of cool weather. And no speeches by Peoria Bill Gates in their behalf last June.

A Salem attorney urges Douglas Corrigan, the "stron-key" trans-Atlantic flyer, as the Republican presidential candidate in 1940.

The Department of Agriculture announcements government scientists have discovered a way to make artificial wool from skim milk.

SOUNDS LOGICAL (Atlanta Ga.) Constitution "Any government which depends upon the dreams and aspirations of one man alone is no longer a democracy."

A short address was made by a young man named Todd, vice-president of the Eugene Junior chamber of commerce.

At Sather of Frisco, who ran a magic lantern show here, before O. Hunt, is visiting in these parts.

Pioneers Buried COLFAX, Wash., Aug. 23.—(AP)—Funeral services were held here today for James Monroe Martin, 79.

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What Is Democracy?

AS FAR as we are aware, democracy still means the rule of the people.

And the rule of the people still means the rule of the majority.

If this is true,—and we hear no denials,—then why all this hubaloo about what the President said about Senator George of Georgia?

Above all, why maintain it is a blow at the heart of democracy,—an attempt by the President to become another "Hitler," by destroying the legislative branch of the government?

That seems to this column as uncalled for, and to express it mildly, an exceedingly silly accusation.

FOR since when has any President's word become law,—his mere expression of preference, a mandate from-on-high, which willy-nilly must be obeyed?

Does anyone seriously maintain that when this primary election is held in September, the members of the Democratic party in Georgia will go to the polls, and vote for the candidate they DON'T want, merely because the President of the United States said he wished them to?

And if they don't do that,—if they vote for the candidate they DO want, and if their candidate is favored by the majority, then how can anyone say that the election of such a candidate—because he also happens to be the President's choice—means the destruction of this democracy?

IN other words, has the character of the American people changed so radically, since the days of Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson, that whereas they did not hesitate at the polls to repudiate the former, and not only repudiate but break the heart of the latter, they are today, too supine, too craven, too cowardly, to do exactly as THEY WISH TO DO, and if they feel so impelled repudiate Franklin Delano Roosevelt and tell him too, to jump in the lake?

We can't believe it. And we fail to see how anyone else can believe it. And if the people of Georgia,—or any other state,—vote as they wish to vote, and their will (the will of the majority) is carried out, then, far from meaning the destruction of democracy, it means the functioning of democracy in a perfectly natural and normal fashion, and we fail to see how anyone who knows the meaning of the term, can deny it.

What Is Dictatorship?

BY THE above we are neither commending nor condemning the President's particular attitude toward Senator George. We are merely calling attention to the absurdity of the contention, that the effort of the President to secure a congress friendly instead of hostile to his policies is un-American, anti-social, and is only another step in his determination to make himself an American Dictator. RUBBISH!

Such action may be wise, it may be unwise, it may be politic, it may be impolitic (we believe it IS the latter) but it ISN'T—Undemocratic.

Not only has similar action been taken by former Presidents, but this column believes such action—that is clear-cut, definite, fearless LEADERSHIP on the part of the President of the United States is acutely needed at the present time. We might even go so far, as to say, that without such leadership under conditions which today exist American democracy can not survive.

And that sort of leadership President Roosevelt is supplying. In effect he is saying to the people of this country, including the members of his own party:

"I believe in certain definite liberal principles. I want the aid of a congress and the support of the people, regardless of their party labels, who also believe in those principles. I don't seek the aid and I don't expect the support of those who don't believe in them. It is up to you to decide, it is up to me to aid you in that decision, by pointing out those candidates who favor my principles and those who don't, those who talk my political language and those who don't."

Now that as before stated may be poor politics, it may even wreck the Democratic party, and break Roosevelt.

But it isn't undemocratic and it isn't dictatorship. It is executive LEADERSHIP, the daring effort of a President of this country to form a new Liberal Party, by his own efforts, practically over night—an effort which the people of this country, in Georgia or any other state, can accept, or reject, when they march to the polls, precisely as they WISH!

What Are "We" Anyway?

WHAT ARE the American people anyway,—that is, the majority of them? We wish Dr. Gallup would pose this question in his next poll of public opinion,—so we might get some light on the subject.

Are "we the people" by and large,—honest, self respecting, industrious, decent?

Or are we no better than so much white trash,—crooked, corruptible, indolent, degraded?

We believe the time has come to put all our cards on the table and, if it is possible,—find out.

For really, what should be done and what shouldn't be done, as far as public policies are concerned, depends so largely upon what we really are,—what the character of our citizenship really is.

TAKE relief as one example. It is frequently stated the Roosevelt form of relief is ruining the character—the morale—of the American people. That the average American today if given the choice between 25 or 30 dollars a month on relief, and the same amount,—or even a larger amount,—as steady productive employment, he will invariably choose the former. In other words your typical American PREFERS being a Dependent, to being Independent. He PREFERS being a ward of the government's, to having a responsible job. He is lazy,—no good,—he doesn't want to make his own way, stand on his own feet, if there is any way to avoid it. And in federal relief he finds the way to avoid it.

IS THAT true? We mean does that represent the average American—the majority—or only the very rare exception? Far more important, it seems to us, is the answer to this question than any election or any candidate.

What are "we the people" anyway? Isn't it about time to take our bearings, and if possible FIND OUT?

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.

After all it is no joke for a man having his first baby. Nor the next, nor the next—but today's expectant fathers wouldn't be interested in that.

A few suggestions may show the prospective parent how to be happy in something for people preparing for parenthood: Why do the common schools of this country provide no instruction for the future parents? Why is such vital knowledge left for boys and girls, young men and young women, to pick up as and where they can find it?

I engaged the best doctor in town a few years before the birth of my first baby. That may be a little early, but just the same you can't engage your doctor too early for the best interest of all concerned.

In any case it is well to have the counsel and advice of a good doctor for as many months in advance as you are reasonably certain of the coming date; that will be 278 days in some cases; six months in more cases; 4 1/2 months in any case.

Picking the best doctor in the community was simple enough for me. I was here. Or at any rate I thought so then. I might not be quite so confident now. Still, I got through with it all right, and made certain about myself—I was afraid the other doctors, the older ones, in the community might not use a rigidly aseptic technic. Not that I would mind so much about other people's babies, if they preferred the other doctor, but this was my baby.

What is the sense of running to a doctor at that early stage of the affair? Can't any older woman tell the expectant mother all she needs to know about the business? Or if there is a midwife in the neighborhood can't she look after the preparation for maternity for a fraction of what a doctor will charge?

Approximate date of confinement may be determined by counting 280 days (10 lunar months) forward from the first day of last menstruation; or more early by counting three months back from that day and adding seven days. Delivery will generally occur a day or two before or after the computed date.

If children received a fair deal in the common school engaging the man about Manhattan. NEW YORK—Mael to my surprise I find myself thinking about the tango again today. After that blurb last week I thought I was through with Spanish music awhile.

Months ago I wrote that I thought, being a dancer in town, I meant by this that his dancing was most pleasing to the eye. He used to teach the tango but now he dances only for pleasure, and when I asked him who were the best dancers he had ever danced with he unhesitatingly named Mae Murray, Martha Raye and Ginger Rogers. These were professional names. He preferred not to name his favorite partners in the social world.

"I love the tango," he tells you "and I always will. It is the only dance with a definite motive because it has a beginning and end. Its music is not the most romantic in the world—but it is haunting and it is always melancholy. Have you never observed that the words to a tango are always sad?"

LeBaron was born in Mexico. After being reared in France and Italy he came back to New York and spent four years in a military school. On the coast he organized dance studios and orchestras. He makes all the Spanish-speaking pictures for Monogram, Inc. And his own tango orchestra—well, it has been at the Rainbow Room for 18 months and the Rockefeller will keep him there until 1941.

Eddie thinks the tango is the easiest of all dances to learn. "If you can walk you can tango," he declares. "And you can learn it in 30 minutes. If you can't learn the tango in half an hour you can't learn it in five years."

In his nightly duties as the director of a celebrated orchestra he has learned that every hour of the evening has its peculiar psychology.

"That is a strange thing, but it is true. In the early part of the evening, from eight to 11, we always play in medium tempo, not too slow and not too fast. By 11 o'clock everybody is feeling good and from then on we go to town. From our set to three is the romantic time of night and we play soft, dreamy music, lovely old waltzes and throbbing tangos. Sometimes we toss in a rumba, or even a minuet, but mostly we hold to the romantic mood. It is the best that way, you know. It is after the three o'clock curtain that LeBaron has his own entertainment.

RECALL OF SCHACHT CAUSE OF SURPRISE OSLO, Norway, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Hjalmar Schacht, President of the German Reichsbank, was suddenly recalled today from a vacation tour of northern Norway. He reached Oslo by airplane on his way to Berlin.

ENORMOUS PRODUCTIONS Dresses, Coats, Hats, Shoes Ethelwyn B. Hoffmann

The Capital Parade

(Continued from Page One.)

Leaving on one side the dangers of the third term precedent and the other conservative arguments, there are solid considerations which should make the most sincere new dealers think twice about the third term.

In their cross-country wanderings this summer, your correspondents set out with open minds, anxious only to discover what the effect of a third term race would be. What they discovered was disquieting, from the point of view of the men now talking third term.

In the first place, the ancient tradition against third terms still has surprising pulling powers—and not only among the people at large, but among the view with distaste four more years of Roosevelt. In Kentucky, for example, three of the president's rare whole-hearted admirers in the upper hierarchy of the press were asked what they thought. They were all bitterly opposed to the third term idea.

Elsewhere in the south and west, a surprising number of really able new dealers were found to be like-minded. Strangely enough, the people who viewed the third term with equanimity were exactly the organization politicians whom the new dealers are now fighting. They know Roosevelt's strength with the mass of voters, and in such formerly Republican states as Iowa and Michigan, would like him at the head of the ticket to help elect their local candidates.

Few differed from the organization men in supposing that, as of today, Roosevelt could be re-elected. But other interesting arguments were commonly offered by informed liberals. First, they said, "Roosevelt is a magnificent front man for a liberal program. He's done a great job. But the people won't stand anyone however nice his smile, for twelve years. They'll turn on both him and his program. Get a new front man, and the program can go on."

The second point was equally interesting. One man made it thus—"You know well enough what sort of campaign it will be if Roosevelt runs again. It will be a campaign of appeals to prejudice, of vituperation and personal charges. It will be conducted in a vigilante spirit. There's a definite chance he would be beaten in which case the vigilante campaigners would become vigilantes in office. And if he won, you would still have transformed the conservative opposition from its present harmless, comparatively decent state to a vigilante opposition. That's very definitely something serious to think of."

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Communications

To the Editor: Dear Mr. Editor, To you I've come at last. I ask you to let the public know the facts about the past.

Of how they treat the poor and aged. I declare it is a shame; To them it may seem Christlike. To us a different name.

Mr. Editor, they've even been known to tell us— Told us with a smile. Why don't you try eating The sires off your mobiles awhile?

Now we will assume they were jesting. For they said it with a smile. But we thought different, dear Editor. Thought they were kiddin' the while.

But later, when our assistance came. Their jesting, dear Editor, I'll swear. Proved to be false, for they meant it. And showed us they did not care.

Now, dear Editor, please will you tell them The tables may soon be turned. If they are not more conscientious Where aged and needy are concerned.

Tell them if they wish to be welcomed By that Grand Old Man on High. And not be sent down to the Devil To weep and wail and sigh.

That they'll have to shake a leg, dear Editor. Hastily make right their wrong. If they figure on entering the Pearly Gate When Gabriel rings his gong.

Tell them of our dear old dads. Who in the Civil war did die. That such as they might sit and judge But not the poor deny.

Now, the lady that came to see us. To find how much we were in need. Had rated us you yonder more fairly Than the committee did—yes, in deed.

She had rated me 33 dollars per month For the two of us—wife and I. And if the committee had considered her rating No one would of raised a cry.

But what did they do but not consider Her rating not one blame bit; They cut her rating to 23 When the committee in judgment sit.

Now this must of made her feel terrible indeed; She was only doing what the law decreed. An apology I make to the lady For trying to be just to the poor. But none whatever to the committee This decides each case for the poor.

Now I simply call this stealing; I've a notion the committee to sue. But rats with 13 dollars a month—What's bums like us going to do?

So now, dear Editor, if you'll tell them all this. Think you the committee I come through. Take a new slant, from their sins depart. And raise our pension a few.

If so, dear Editor, all hall to you. I'm not a subscriber at present. But got darn, I'd sure like to be. If you publish all this and they raise our pay, I'll sure as heck sign for your paper next day.

RAINBOW JONES. Butte, Falls, August 28.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY August 23, 1928. (It was Thursday.) Al Smith in acceptance speech condemns "return of saloon, and flays Republicans." Present liquor enforcement scored.

Jackson county to receive O.C. tax refund check of \$89,546. Hoover given "ovation in the corn belt" by farmers. Humane society given permit to build cat and dog hospital.

Bond issue for new fire truck to be voted upon. Bartlett sell on Portland market for \$2 per box. Straw vote in county indicates a landslide for Hoover.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY August 23, 1918. (It was Friday.) Allies cut deep into German lines on western front, as one of the world's greatest battles rages. Schools of city to open September 16.

All men of 21 years of age must register for army service tomorrow. Congressmen exempted from military service by new draft law. Nation warned against the acceptance of premature German peace offers.

Ex-Governor VanZandt of Minnesota visits friends residing here.

UNCLE SAM'S WORKERS WARNED ON POLITICS WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(AP)—A half million federal employes have been reminded they must stay out of politics or suffer severe penalties.

The civil service commission issued a statement yesterday, under a two-line heading "Warning," emphasizing workers who attained positions through competitive examinations (classified employes) risked discharge for such slight infractions as wearing campaign buttons.

Executives or judicial officers or employes, the notice added, could be fined \$5,000 and imprisoned three years for soliciting campaign contributions from other federal officials or employes.

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Must be confusing to parents to name their kids, With both families and all relatives putting in bids. OF COURSE, the first boy is named after Pa And a hundred to one the girl's named for Ma. But after that it's just a mad scramble, While the name the kid gets is just a gamble. But when it comes to a car and all have a say, You'll find they're a unit and pick Chevrolet! Chevy M Hurd Rogue River Chevrolet Matungand Riverside Service Dept.—35 N. Riverside Used Car Lot—Riverside at 4th

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