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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry.

THE BIG SCARE. "Modern Civilization Crumbles Under Impact of Dramatic Broadcast" chides the Red Bluff (Cal.) Daily News in a sub-headline over the news story describing the hysteria and panic of thousands of listeners Sunday night, to a radio play: "The War of the Worlds." The headline writer did not miss much.

Observation: The warning—"This presentation is entirely fictional"—should be issued at the start and finish of cooling promises, and dreamy drive spread over the air by demagogues, appealing to the discontent and envy of the unemployed.

THE RAIN THE FARMERS PRAYED FOR. In accordance with long established custom, as soon as it ceases, and the sun shines, dust will be plowed up on many a lower 40.

TERROURS OF JOURNALISM (Press Dispatch). "A bold reporter sought a statement. 'How do you like this statement?' she retorted, kicking him in the seat of the trousers as he made an unqualified retreat."

From now until election day, candidates for Governor and Senator will concentrate their efforts in Multnomah county. Some think Multnomah county deserves it, and some are tender-hearted.

The rain the farmers prayed for, descended. In accordance with long established custom, as soon as it ceases, and the sun shines, dust will be plowed up on many a lower 40.

The Halloween havoc was erased in a day, so hopes are high the coming Christmas decorations will all be "down in a month."

"ETERNAL FITNESS" AGAIN (Editor & Publisher). "Mrs. Stanley Armstrong of Memphis will speak Thursday night of the convention on 'Youth Faces the Liquor Problem.' And will be followed by an address by Thomas Armstrong, Nashville, who will speak will be 'Youth Can Take It!'"

C. Strang, the pioneer pillist, forgot himself. They noted the weight of a lady on his scales, she looked at him as if he was the scales, instead of the pioneer pillist.

The Harmony club has disbanded. There wasn't any.—(M. Hebron (Calif.) Items) Short, short, sorry.

Politics are so quiet hereabouts even the old-fashioned "alien vote" is silent.

DO YOU REMEMBER? "A lot of people lately have the hobby of collecting antiques—women are beginning to wear old-fashioned dresses—so, if you have an attic, see if you have any old hoop skirts or bustles. I wish I had saved some of the old things we used fifty years ago—the coffee grinder (one kind we held on our lap, another kind we nailed on the kitchen wall), the pewter casket we had on each plate, mustache cups, shaving mug we left at the barber shop, bootjacks, carpet stretchers, haming lamps, candle mold and candlesticks, the family album full of tintype pictures, our stereoscope, the red flannel underwear, blue flannel shirt with large pearl buttons, eucalyptus, some fastened on by a spring, copper trow boots.—(Seymour (Okla.) Times).

Stability Pays

WHEN a municipality can sell its bonds at a premium and with an interest rate of only one and one-half percent, it is really something to talk about even in these days of easy-term financing.

The City of Medford, therefore, has occasion to feel a tinge of civic pride, for it has just disposed of its \$73,500 street construction bond issue at a premium and with a coupon rate of only one and one-half percent,—lowest in local history.

Major factor in the favorable terms, of course, was the city's excellent credit standing. But another factor of almost equal importance was the city's stability, the civic harmony that now exists here,—in sharp contrast with certain periods in the past.

TODAY there is no senseless, self seeking agitating in Medford; no futile demagogic bickering, for the selfish advantage of certain individuals, thus dividing the community into two warring camps, and sending capital for investment scurrying for cover.

Medford is united, at peace, and while material conditions could be improved of course, the morale, the spirit, of the community has never been better,—and as this bond sale demonstrates, such a spirit pays, not only in moral satisfactions but in DOLLARS AND CENTS.

STABILITY, however, must not be confused with complacency. Harmony must never be a smoke screen for public indifference or smugness.

The present situation is extremely gratifying, but it should not lull us into any feeling of false security. For vigilance not only remains the price of liberty but the price of good government.

So we as citizens must continue to be ever on the alert, lest the forces of destruction, that once proved so disastrous again creep in, or our self complacency, toward conditions leads to political abuses which inevitably invite them. Our city administrators, like the present one, must ALSO ever be on the alert, never failing to work cooperatively, conscientiously and efficiently, for the general welfare of the community.

So with this thought in mind, we can view with pride the sale of our bonds. And we can find encouragement and satisfaction in the fact that the United States National Bank of Portland, which purchased them, recognized stability, as well as financial integrity, as a community asset.—L. C. F.

Why We Oppose Hess

SPEAKING OF STABILITY, when all is said and done, regarding the gubernatorial race in this state, this column's chief objection to Hess, is our conviction that his election will destroy it.

By that we do not mean, that the dissension and turmoil that nearly wrecked this community, will be repeated in the state at large. But we do mean the main forces behind Hess, are essentially destructive forces, and his election will be interpreted by them,—and naturally so,—as a signal for full steam ahead, and let the devil take the hindmost.

THIS office has received several buckets of mud, with which to smear the democratic candidate, but we will not use them,—in the first place because that would be contrary to the long established policy of this paper,—and in the second place,—and far more important,—we don't believe the charges are true.

No, we don't know MUCH about the gentleman from La Grande, but we are quite sure, his hat covers no horns, his pants no forked tail, and we regard it as not only poor ethics, but poor politics, to try to create a contrary impression, particularly only a few days before election, when the preparation of an antidote for such poison, by the victim, would be impossible.

But we ARE strongly opposed to Hess's election, solely on the ground of what his election would mean to the state, and its future welfare.

HESS was put into the primaries by the radical wing of labor in this state, for one purpose, and one purpose alone,—to beat Governor Martin. Governor Martin had dared defy the racketeers and outlaws, who were using organized labor for their selfish and reprehensible ends, and he was therefore marked for slaughter,—the radical labor attorney from La Grande being chosen as the man best fitted to cut the governor down.

And it was done,—unfortunately for the cause of good government in the state of Oregon. Resentment over that, however, has no place in our present opposition to Hess. As far as the primary is concerned we are disposed to forget it,—let bygones be bygones.—

BUT the fact remains Hess is the radical labor candidate, and if elected will have to pay his debt, to the faction chiefly responsible for his success. More than that he is temperamentally an extremist with a strong inferiority complex and great capacity for resentment,—an overwhelming desire to get back at what he likes to call the powers that be.

Now we maintain,—all other considerations aside,—to elect such a man with such a background, so little administrative experience, and such a temperament, chief executive of this state, at the present time would be extremely unfortunate to say the least.

NEEDLESS to say this column has no axe to grind, and no partisan prejudices, one way or the other. In our strong opposition to Hess and our strong support of Charlie Sprague, we are concerned with nothing but what we regard as the best welfare of the state.—

As we see it, a vote for Sprague is a vote for better conditions in this state,—a vote for stability, for internal peace, constructive advancement.

A vote for Hess, is the precise reverse.

HORSE SWAP CASE GETS UNDER WAY

Trial of the suit of Ralph Billings and G. H. Billings of Ashland, against Don DeVore, Medford stockman, cut, got underway before a circuit court jury today. Plaintiffs and defendant are well known in this county.

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, 365 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

YOU MUST ROLL YOUR OWN

Webster still spells it iodine as first preference, iodine as second. Webster still tries to have you believe there is no such word as or in the English language. Webster still aureas customers that "cold" is a "disordered bodily condition, generally of the respiratory tract on the spir. i. long tract, produced by exposure; a catarrh; coryza."

Why doesn't somebody tell me these things? Webster doesn't somebody tell these things? Webster a few things that occur between editions?

I do solemnly aver that therapeutically I am almost a nihilist,—especially if I am the patient,—yet every morning I roll a dozen or more somersaults in my way. At no instant is some part of my body not in contact with the ground. Now according to Webster, who, I begin to suspect, must be a cantankerous old geezer, a somersault is "a leap or jump in which a person turns his head over his head, forward or backward, without touching the ground with any portion of the body." Just why Noah is so insistent about not touching the ground it is difficult to surmise, unless maybe he is under subsidy of the otocarpal gland, or perhaps he is afraid it might mess up one's dignity.

Webster may be as facetious as he likes about such things. I am serious about it. One of the chief purposes of somersaulting as required doing is to retard that very insidious dignity that creeps upon too many suits of mature age and makes them old before their time.

In my files are a great many letters from somersaultians sixty or seventy years of age who testify to the fine effects of rolling your own. Some readers may recall seeing in the movies a news picture of the late Luther Burbank celebrating his seventieth anniversary by rolling somersaults (Brady fashion) on his lawn.

When I was a boy in Canandaigua, the Chapel street gang used to turn those streets Webster calls somersaults on the lawn on our way to and from school. But I wouldn't have the nerve to try it today,—not that the Main street residents are any more watchful of their lawns. I had a scare in the case of a man not over forty who undertook to imitate some boys how to turn hand springs; he split open a palm, dislocated some bones, infected the wound with tetanus, died within 10 days, lockjaw, tetanus spores in the street dirt, tetanus germs being normal inhabitants of the intestinal tract of horses and other domestic animals.

It is imperative that our family economize as much as is humanly possible. Following the fine suggestions in your monograph "What to Eat" we feel our wheat diet has improved our health and enabled us to have sufficient food on a limited income. Can you tell us whether soy bean is as adequate and nutritious as the claims made for it for if it is we would like to use it every day. Our diet now consists of wheat, milk, butter, eggs occasionally, lettuce salad with cheese, orange juice. Is it adequate for good nutrition? (Mrs. W. C. D.)

Answer—Yes, such a diet is almost ideal. Only deficiency is that qualification "occasionally." Yes, soy bean is adequate and nutritious. Soy bean contains nearly twice as much phosphorus, four times as much calcium, as wheat.

Carbonated Baths. Pleased to read your article saying the Naumburg baths are sometimes valuable in treatment of dilated heart or loss of compensation in heart disease. I believe these carbonated baths saved my life. (P. D.)

Answer—Yes, the carbonated baths are used with success in the treatment of coronary disease, myocarditis, arteriosclerosis, high and low blood pressure and other conditions of heart and arteries, at Saratoga, the famous resort in New York. Main reason why physicians do not use such baths in general practice is that the preparation and administration of the bath requires special service of skilled attendant and the personal supervision of the physician.

Calm Yourself. From what you have told us about turbine and calcium I believe either or both may be good for "nerves." Would there be any objection to taking them both at the same time? (A. W.)

Answer—No. Send 20 cents coin and stamped envelope bearing your address, for booklet, "Nerves and Nutrition."

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 365 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

Man About Manhattan

By GEORGE TUCKER

NEW YORK — Sometimes while reading in the newspapers the names of the first nighters who attended last night's premiere of a new play I think of that book which Thornton Wilder wrote, "The Playwrights of Manhattan."

There was another premiere last night, and so today, in a brief spray of type, set down for the benefit of those who like to follow the not-quaint galavantings of their theatrical heroes, were these names: Stuart Lewis, Jean Muir, Sheila Barrett, Walter Huston and Brock Pemberton.

There the parable ended, for the only bridge that fell was the play, which was really no bridge but a turkey, as we say on Broadway, but nevertheless the individual stories of these characters are interesting. Let's check up on them.

First comes tall, red-headed, good-natured Sinclair Lewis. He's a doctor's son, 33 years old and stage-struck. Wrote "Habbit" (Wrote "Main Street." Wrote "Arrowsmith." A Yale man and an editor. Recently turned actor. Married twice. He's a Nobel prize winner and lives in Bronxville. Jean Muir is a young and, according to some, talented actress who was discovered by a Warner Brothers' scout several years back and taken to Hollywood in an effort to "out-Heppburn Heppburn." She is tall and very serious, and when I knew her as an intensely ambitious, but inexperienced stock actress she used to wear tawed skirts and walk in the rain like Garbo.

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TO YOU from W. Virginia by Ethelyn Evans

FOREST FESTIVAL, Elkins, W. Virginia: Yes, we do get about a bit in the Blue Ridge mountains, staged in the very heart of the Monongahela National Forest, with a setting of flaming autumn rousage against a somber background of evergreens, beneath a canopy of dazzling blue sky, and a clear, heady atmosphere usually found only in our far west. Two years ago President Roosevelt attended the opening-day ceremonies of crowning the Queen, and every year some member of the President's cabinet is an honor guest and speaker.

West Virginia's fall Festival corresponds to Oregon's Rose Show in the spring. I wish that all who see one might also see the other, because everyone loves roses and our wonderful national forests, and 'twould help us all to more fully appreciate the great diversity of our country's beauty and vast resources. But, whereas Portland has the facilities of a city to care for its visitors, this plucky little town of about 8000, with the buildings and lovely grounds of its college (Davis and Elkins), entertaining crowds of 80,000 or more during its 3-day pageant.

Dear to any woman's eyes are the gorgeous, shimmering velvet gowns in all the autumn colors—worn by the Queen and her large court, and the hundreds of ostrich plumes dyed the same brilliant shades. Ad thereto the artistic parade floats and the balls for the Queen and the Governor of the state, and it's just about perfect. Ams and alk, however, sometimes it rains (as in June in Oregon) and then what an end to the jewel tinted plumes and gowns!

OREGONIANS - from - Washington right now include Maj. Gen. Amos A. Fries, who is in the south making a series of talks before patriotic organizations and Masonic groups. It would seem that General Fries and Mr. Roosevelt have at least this much in common: both are indefatigable workers, speakers, writers, and travelers. General and Mrs. Fries had barely reached Washington from a tour of the Northwest, where they visited in Medford with his two sisters, Mrs. Katie Grieve and Mrs. Elna Purkeypile and a niece, Mrs. Volney Dixon, when he arranged to start out again. We have no doubt that upon his return this time, the general will be found sponsoring and managing some conference of allied patriotic or Masonic groups, taking full responsibility for staging some huge military parade, publishing another book on the menace of "isms"—into which subject he has deeply probed,—accepting election as chief executive of some of the aforementioned organizations, and, of course, continuing to speak both here and there. Personally, we consider it a great privilege to have worked on D. A. R. committees with Mrs. Fries and on patriotic and civic committees with General Fries, including the late lamented and all but forgotten N. R. A. celebration which was an outstanding success in Washington.

Skinner Cover 20 Miles. SYDNEY.—(UPI)—Keith Wheeler won a 440 bet by roller skating from Sydney to Newcastle, a distance of 220 miles, in 50 hours. His greatest difficulty, he declared, was dodging automobiles.

Postoffice Robbed. TROUTDALE, Nov. 2.—(AP)—Thieves jimmied a small safe at the postoffice early today, taking \$424 in cash, \$408 in stamps and \$16 in money orders.

San Francisco Butter. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2.—(AP)—Butter unchanged.

Closing time for Too Late to Classify Ads is 1:30 p. m.

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The football fans have their inning at last. With college grid games coming thick and fast! Think! Millions will see the games this fall—Rooting for their teams to carry the ball. Every team expects to win when the game begins. Baring ties, only half of the teams CAN win! While ALL spectators can win today—every day. If they are smart buyers and own Chevrolets! Chevy M. Hurd. Rogue River Chevrolet. Main and Riverside. Service Dept.—32 North Riverside. Used Car Lot—Riverside at 4th.

Real Bargains In Lumber at BIG PINES LUMBER CO. PHONE 1 6TH AND FIR

ties executives met in New York to discuss the government proposals. As they talked, it became clear to them that they could not promise plant expansions beyond what might be profitable to their stockholders. Accordingly, when they met with the Johnson committee again last Friday, commitments beyond normal needs were frankly refused. The utilities men merely agreed to increase their facilities by 1,000,000 kilowatts in the next year.

Now, as it happens, this is just about the natural increase. It will require an expenditure of about \$500,000,000. And even in the last two years of coma among the utilities, their bills for new construction ran to \$400,000,000 annually. It is startlingly significant, therefore, that the meeting, which patted itself on the back for a great achievement in the interests of prosperity and national defense, specifically voted not to translate that achievement into dollar terms.

The truth is that both investors and the general public have been deceived, whether wilfully or not it is not the purpose to suggest here. An achievement which was not an achievement has been hailed. A small step in the right direction has been announced as a jump halfway to a goal. And that is shabby business.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY. November 2, 1928. (It was Friday). New York City gives Al Smith riotous welcome; Hoover greeted at Louisville, Ky. Literary Digest poll shows Hoover victor by wide margin.

Building in October exceeds September.

W. A. Gates makes arrangements to broadcast all local high school games for remainder of season.

Mail plane from San Francisco arrives in record time of 2:40, due to a strong tail wind.

Table Rock farmers sigh with relief when pheasant season ends.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY. November 2, 1918. (It was Saturday). Geneva reports say the Kaiser has abdicated, and flees to Holland; American troops break Hindenburg line; German defense crumbles along the western front; magnitude of Italian victory over Austrians grows bigger; Turkey surrenders and seeks peace.

October was a month of Indian summer, with average rains.

State Game Commission opposes Rogue River fish bill.

Politics warm up in Jackson county. President Wilson's appeal for the election of a democratic congressman storm center.

Skinner Cover 20 Miles. SYDNEY.—(UPI)—Keith Wheeler won a 440 bet by roller skating from Sydney to Newcastle, a distance of 220 miles, in 50 hours. His greatest difficulty, he declared, was dodging automobiles.

Postoffice Robbed. TROUTDALE, Nov. 2.—(AP)—Thieves jimmied a small safe at the postoffice early today, taking \$424 in cash, \$408 in stamps and \$16 in money orders.

San Francisco Butter. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2.—(AP)—Butter unchanged.