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Ye Smudge Pot. Firm and in some instances, fierce resistance.

The Mid-Columbia area proposes installation of good-looking guides to explain the beautiful scenery to tourists.

The state legislature next month is apt to be confronted with a law to curb all pernicious activities, other than those lawmaking.

The writer has been in Djibouti, where the camel markets stink to Heaven, and thinks it may be worth about four bits.

An upstate labor leader, until incarcerated, had an income of \$20,000 per year gathering while battling for the working man, and causing the "profit system."

Reports from upstate say wild violets, disdaintful of nippy winds of winter, are blooming. Besides being wild, the violets are also giddy.

AND, A SIGN OF SPRING (Red Bull) (CAH) News. "This column of personal piffle has been inspired by an item of news from a town in the valley yesterday, to the effect that a gypsy and his son had been jailed for lifting money from some innocent bystander."

Word comes from Prospect that Dewey Hill, the ace hired man and hillbilly of that region, recently checked down a tree, and left a crooked stump. This seems to be like a dentist pulling a tooth, and leaving most of it in the jaw. A tree, if felled correctly, leaves a smooth stump, practically level. To do otherwise is unethical, and a blotch, and evidence the cutter is getting both old and lazy.

"SEVEN CARS IN ONE ACCIDENT" (Skiyou News) (Hilne) - Small world item.

Social gossips report a number of promising young men will soon look a preacher in the eye, and tell him to keep the change out of a \$5 bill.

"MAKE YOUR WIFE HAPPY" with a Co-op Refrigerator, Washer or Ironer. Or if she has a weak heart and can't stand too much of a shock, give her a Co-op Toaster or Waffle Iron, or a Co-op Food Mixer.

SAME THING HERE BUT WITH PEARS. PLYMOUTH, Wis., Dec. 12 (AP) - B. E. Sackett, agent in charge of the Milwaukee office of the federal bureau of investigation, came to this cheese center for a banquet speech—and was surprised.

"I told my wife that I was going to the cheese center of the nation speech, no doubt they would have cheese piled high at the banquet and even serve it with ice cream," he said.

GERMANY SLICES FOREIGN DEBT AT EXPENSE OF U.S.

Ambassador Wilson Discloses International Sleight Of Hand At Expense Yankee Investors.

WASHINGTON — Freshly called home from Germany, Ambassador Hugh Wilson at once put his finger on a choice little piece of international sleight-of-hand by which Germany is wiping out much of her foreign debt—at the expense of Yankee investors.

German financiers have invented new financial tricks that the world ever has known in order to put herself in fighting trim, but her methods of ducking international debts are not new in any sense. From time to time such tactics have been tried by private American concern, bringing on no end of public condemnation.

Germany began falling in her bond payments back in the twenties and this government sent Charles Dawes, Owen D. Young and other financial wizards over there to help pull the country out of the hole. Each time new foreign money, including some from America, was lent to Germany in an effort to revive the country.

By 1930 the American loans to Germany had reached a peak of \$1,200,000,000. Then the present series of defaults began. In that year \$100 bonds slipped to a low of \$76, and by 1931 ranged from a top of \$97 to a low of \$27.

Present values on various issues range from \$20 to \$30. They have been the German manuevers which financial men have called names ranging all the way from plain chicanery to rank international dishonesty.

Bonds Drop—German Buy. Shrewd German investors started buying up the German \$100 bonds in this country at \$20 to \$30. They were able to get them at these low prices only because Germany had jolted down the value by falling to pay interest or principal on them.

Of the original top value of \$1,200,000,000 of German bonds sold in this country, it is estimated in reliable quarters here that \$500,000,000 have been bought back by German investors at a total cost to them of perhaps \$100,000,000. That means that American investors have taken a loss of \$400,000,000 on the operation.

Of the German bonds sold in this country \$725,000,000 still are outstanding, and of these it is estimated that fully half have been bought by Germans at 20 cents on the dollar.

Financiers explain that, technically speaking, German bond speculators might be blamed for the business instead of the German government, except for one thing. That is, in that recent years no German investor could buy these bonds on the American market except with permission of the government. Before he could use American dollar exchange to buy the bonds, he had to get official permission.

U. S. Again the Goat. Besides calling attention to such manuevers Ambassador Wilson also protested in a series of notes against German practice of assuming responsibility for Austria's debts to other nations but refusing to accept responsibility for Austria's debts to the United States.

The German answer was that she had a balance of trade with other nations which left her with spare exchange to pay on bonds. With the U. S., however, the balance of trade is the other way, so there are no spare dollars to pay off German dollar bonds. Ambassador Wilson did not think that sounded so good, not while Germany was able to get money to buy bonds at cut rates but could not find money to pay for them at a normal dollar for dollar.

Incidentally, a couple of South American countries have played the same trick in the United States. Chile is going about it systematically with a regular government fund. Brazilian states did it also, buying up bonds which had slumped when interest payments stopped. Later, Brazil has backed away from it.

Undisclosed to the end was his secret of what became of the large sum Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McKean of Washington, D. C., gave him on his promise he could return the kidnapped son of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh alive.

Stabbed To Death



Beautiful Leona Vught, 19, Oakland, Cal., beauty parlor operator, was found stabbed to death in an isolated spot off a "lovers' lane" in the hills above Oakland, Cal.

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On the Radio Chains

STATIONS. Where to Find Them on the Dial: KEX, Portland, 1180; KFI, 610.

Monday. 5:00—Swing Trio, KJR, Bucaros, KPO, KFI, KGW, World on Parade, KGO.

6:30—Those We Love, KPO, KGW, KFI, Stringing Along, KGO, Tea for Two, KXN.

6:00—Radio Theater, KXN, KJL, KOIN; Opera company, KPO, KGF; Dorothy Thompson, KGO, KFI, KJR, KEX.

6:30—Duchin's Orch., KPO, KGW, KFI; Opera company, KGO, KEX; News, KJR.

7:00—True or False, KGO, KEX, KJR; Weber's Orch., KPO, KGW, KFI; Lombard's Orch., KXN, KOIN, KSL.

7:30—Al Pearce's Gang, KPO, KFI, KGW; Eddie Cantor, KXN, KSL, KOIN, Radio Forum, KGO, KEX.

8:00—Haynes' News, KXN, KOIN; Amos and Andy, KPO, KFI, KGW; News, KGO, News, KEX.

8:15—MacFarland Twins' Orch., KXN, KJR; Hum and Abner, KXN, KOIN; KSL; Luman and Side of the News, KPO, KFI, KGW; Gene Sullivan, KGO.

8:30—Plek and Pat, KXN, KJL, KSL; Margaret Speaks, KPO, KFI, KGW; Stanford University Program, KGO, KEX.

9:00—Hawthorne House, KPO, KGW, KFI; Sudy's Orch., KGO; Cavalcade of America, KXN, KSL, KOIN; News, KJR.

9:30—Battle of the Sevens, KPO, KFI, KGW; Camera Club, KXN, KOIN; Ricardo's Rhoadspies, KGO.

9:30—Martin's Music, KPO, KGW; What's the Big Idea?, KGO, KEX; We the People, KXN, KOIN, KSL.

9:30—Fibber McGee, KPO, KFI, KGW; Goodman's orch., KXN, KSL, KOIN; Conley orch., KGO, KEX; News, KJR.

7:00—Bob Hope, KPO, KGW, KFI; Drama, KXN, KSL, KOIN; H. I. had the Chance, KGO, KEX.

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.

Comment on the Day's News

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The speed with which the blaze was put out and the success in keeping the flames from spreading to adjacent homes speak volumes for the efficiency of the department. The way in which the furniture was saved by covering it with salvage blankets shows the thoroughness and consideration with which the department functions.

Chief Elliott and all the men of the department are to be commended. I feel very grateful to them. Praise should be extended also to others who helped at the fire. These included the California Oregon Power company, the city inspector's department, the insurance company whose agent was very prompt and the insurance adjuster.

I appreciate an opportunity to express this praise in your newspaper. O. W. HOWARD. Medford, Dec. 10.

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\$1,400,000 allocation was exhausted, Bruce got the promise of his 1 per cent cut of building costs from the president. By now, his artist's thousands of square yards of murals and tons of sculpture have brought something new into the lives of millions. And that is an unusual achievement for one man.

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TO YOU from Washington by Ethelyn Evans

WOMEN IN POLITICS: We heard a MAN remark that his admiration for Dorothy Thompson as a thinker, writer, speaker and personality was so great that he would like to see her President of the United States—and off we sailed on another statistics staking expedition.

In Washington, where the National Woman's Party headquarters are within the very shadow of the Capitol building, we are reminded that when suffrage was granted to women in the 68th congress it was to bring about world-shaking changes and events. Has it? "Let's look at the record."

Senate—the first woman senator, Rebecca Felton (Georgia), was given a complimentary appointment for one day only. There followed, not chronologically, Mrs. Dixie Graves (Alabama), who merely finished the unexpired term of Hugo L. Black after his elevation to the supreme court; Mrs. Huey Long also completed the unexpired term of her assassinated husband; Miss Gladys Pyle (South Dakota) recently elected to serve the remainder of the late Senator Norbeck's term; and this leaves us but one bona fide woman senator—Mrs. Hattie Caraway (Arkansas).

House of Representatives—Miss Janet Rankin (Montana) floated in and out—one term. Mrs. Alice Robertson (Oklahoma) didn't like it and so she felt sadly out of place—one term. Mrs. Edward Elick (Tenn.), whose husband died on the floor of the house, served out his unexpired term. Mrs. Ruth Hanna McCormick (Illinois) served one term and ran for the senate, but was defeated. Mrs. Isabelle Grosvenor (Arizona), a close friend of the Franklin Delano Roosevelts, served one term. Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen (Florida), daughter of the Great Commoner, served until appointed minister to Denmark. Mrs. Florence Kahn (California) went out with the Democratic landslide after serving many years with great distinction. Mrs. Pearl Oldfield (Arkansas) re-elected once. Mrs. Virginia Jencks (Indiana) stayed three terms, but was defeated November 8, 1934. Oregon's Mrs. Nan Hoyerman (a colorful personality and friend of Mrs. Roosevelt) won in congress since the "OUTS." The "INS" are Mrs. Caroline O'Day (New York), also a friend of Mrs. Roosevelt—re-elected; Mrs. Edith Nourse Rogers (Mass.) won by the largest majority of her political career in the last election; Mrs. Mary Norton (New Jersey) was in congress from 1924 to 1928; and a new one, Judge Jesse Sumner (Illinois) recently elected. FIVE out of 435 after more than 26 years! HOW'RE WE DOIN', GIRLS?

SENATORIAL PRECEDENT SHATTERED: "We first ended, then plying, then embracing" a loud speaker and microphone in the senate caucus room so that senators and witnesses may be heard by the public attending the "Monopoly" hearings. Not-so-long ago "The Man" Bilbo (Miss.) proposed "mixes" in the senate, so that debates might be "mixes" in the senate chamber—and then on to a nation-wide broadcast of all debates.

AN OREGONIAN IN WASHINGTON who turned out to be yet another disappointment in our search for one who DOESN'T like Washington is Mr. Edward Reames, son of the ex-Senator from Oregon and Mrs. A. E. Reames of Medford. Young Mr. Reames reports that he can't help us out in our quest because he does enjoy living in the capital city—so much so, indeed, that he stayed on here and kept his father's office going until November when Mr. Eric C. Barry was elected for the short term. Since that date, Mr. Reames has been holding a managerial position with the Edward Whitehead Co., representing a group of basic manufacturers. Except for eagerly anticipated visits home, he expects to really "dig" in and become one of us.

We reported last spring that the Reames family had made a real place for itself in the regard of congressional and local friends, so the plan for Edward Reames to remain here meets with general approval. Particularly is that true among the hostesses of the city. A personable, young, unattached man in this cosmopolitan city is not only the well-known "answer to a maiden's prayer"—but also a source of joy to all party guests.

Safe Driving Family. OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 12 (AP)—Safe driving runs in the Ebert family. The Associated Motor Carriers of Oklahoma today gave its highest safe driving award to Martin Ebert, Blackwell, Okla., who has driven 28 years without an accident. His two brothers, E. B. and O. R. Ebert, were next on the list with 21 years each.

25% Discount On All Road-Tirewear and Hata. ETHELWYN B. HOFFMAN.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY. Decemb. 12, 1928. (It was Wednesday) King George of England in grave condition, and Prince of Wales speeds from Africa to be at his bedside.

State report shows crop revenue past year on Medford irrigation land shows increase over last year. Merchants declare war on household peddlers. Nation swept by mild flu epidemic.

Rumor spreads over city a man at Gold Hill killed by a dry agent can not be squelched, despite denial of officials. Chief of Police McCredie able to be out after attack of the flu.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY. December 12, 1918. (It was Thursday) American navy as large as Great Britain favored by naval board. Sen. Johnson demands government policy toward Russia be made public.

Chicago health expert declares, "It is the patriotic duty of women to wear more clothes." Attorney W. E. Phipps returns from a legal trip to Reno, Nev. Flu epidemic in Medford and valley reported checked.

Aviator at Mather Field, Calif., flies 100 miles on a gallon of gasoline.

JOAN AND DICK GIVEN RELEASE

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 12. (UP)—Joan Blondell and Dick Powell, who made their screen debut, met and married on the Warner Brothers lot, were released from contract today by the studio following months of hickering.

The studio announced the contracts of both stars had been settled "amicably," leaving both free to carry out plans to free lance, as soon as they complete their current picture. The crooner will check off the lot next week, and his wife shortly after Christmas. Both said they would take an extended vacation before undertaking any new commitments.

WPA WORKER KILLS NAGGING LANDLADY

CHICAGO, Dec. 12. (UP)—A slightly tipsy WPA worker exploded last night how at the end of a five-day drinking spree he beat and stabbed his landlady to death "because all the time, it was nag, nag, I couldn't stand it any longer." Sigurd Anderson, 47, was arrested at the home of a friend, Louis Zinzou, by officers who had sought him since Saturday.

He confessed, according to the officers, beating Mrs. Dagmar Olson, 57, with a machinist's hammer, stabbing her half a dozen times with a screwdriver, and at last slashing her throat with a bread knife.

Four Die In Plane. AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands, Dec. 9.—(AP)—Four persons were killed today when a Klu (Dutch) airplane struck a dyke near Schiphol airdrome and caught fire. The plane, on an instructional flight, crashed shortly after taking off.

Chevrolet JINGLES

Backward—turn backward O time in thy flight— Make me run like a new car just for tonight! Let my bumpers and lamps shine like they used to do. Polish my body and fenders till I look like new! Add a bit of "make-up" where you've scraped off paint, Tighten me up and I won't have any rattling complaint. The way you neglect me I'm ashamed on the street— When I know those Chevrolet men could make me look neat! Chevvy M Hurd Rogue River Chevrolet

Main and Riverside. Service Dept.—32 North Riverside. Used Car Lot—Riverside at 4th.

REAL BARGAINS IN LUMBER while they last at BIG PINES LUMBER CO. PHONE 1. 6TH AND FIR