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Ye Smudge Pot. By Arthur Perry.

Russia has severed diplomatic relations with Finland, to safeguard her own security. This will teach the Finns, in the future, not to ferociously beg for peace.

This is Thanksgiving day No. 2 for the year and many of the diners of the land view turkey as they do a "double-feature" movie.

Owing to conflicting engagements, Dr. J. Edgar Purdy, district Methodist superintendent, was not able to conduct dedication ceremonies for the new Monroe parsonage Sunday evening.

The brevity, etc., of this col. this week has been due to the flu. Normalcy will return on the morrow.

HOARDING OF GOLD IN UNITED STATES HELD WAR FACTOR

Berkeley, Cal. (U.P.)—Responsibility for the war in Europe rests partly with the United States, says Franklin C. Palm, professor of modern European history at the University of California.

"There is little reason to doubt that some of the fundamental causes of the war lie in this country," he declared. "In the United States today there exists an important part of the Maginot line of capitalistic-democratic defense, as one of the fundamental reasons for the whole struggle."

"America's 'curse of Midas,' exemplified by the 'hoarding of a golden portion of the world's gold at Fort Knox, Ky.," was cited by Palm as one of the contributing American factors that brought about the war.

"The European struggle," he stated, "is rooted in the depression of 1922 which marked the crisis and climax of an age-old struggle for world markets."

"The war now going on," he said, "is fundamentally a struggle between 'haves' and 'have-nots' with two types of economy—finance capitalism and state capitalism—each fighting to prevail."

Gets Expert Care. Pasadena, Cal. (U.P.)—When a bee alighted on the tip of his tongue, Othmar Wild, 39, didn't say a word about it. He just kept his tongue out, rushed to the hospital, pointed to the bee and let a doctor brush it off.

Co-Eds. Brattleboro, Vt. (U.P.)—Fifteen-year-old Betty Deedy and her mother are classmates at the Brattleboro high school. Mrs. Deedy enrolled as a freshman to study home economics and dietetics.

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20 MORE DAYS TO BUY AND USE CHRISTMAS SEALS. PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM TUBERCULOSIS. 1939

They emphasize the importance of protecting children from exposure to active tuberculosis.

Stalin Follows Hitler

CONQUEST by force is bad enough. But when a nation supplements that with treachery, hypocrisy and deceit, as Soviet Russia has done in the case of Finland, one wonders if the limit to moral decline from a national standpoint, hasn't really been reached!

No one could condone, in this day and age, the unprovoked attack of a great military power, like Russia, upon a small, comparatively weak neighbor like Finland, merely because the former coveted certain points of naval and military value, within the boundaries of the latter. That is imperialistic militarism in its most exaggerated and medieval form.

But, as the world goes, there is of course, ample precedent for that.

EVEN Charlemagne and Napoleon at their worst however, if our memory of history isn't at fault didn't try to paint their victims, as outlaws and aggressors and themselves as plaster saints. They were no paragons of virtue, but at least they weren't out-and-out liars and sniveling hypocrites.

When the former marched against Rome, as we recall it, he didn't try to make out he was protecting Paris from a Roman invasion! When Bonaparte invaded Russia, he didn't pretend, the Czar had first attacked and killed the soldiers of France. They both went out to take by force what they wanted, and what they believed would add to the glory and power of their native lands,—they didn't try to draw over their depredations the cloak of piety or self righteousness.

Above all, they didn't try to place the moral guilt of subsequent bloodshed and rapine, they themselves brought about, upon the offending heads of their victims. They were ruthless enough Heaven knows, but at least they had a certain rugged integrity, and didn't add to the crime of violence, the evil of Pecksniffian pretense.

BUT that is what the Kremlin, through Brother Molotoff, has done—or attempted to do. From the first, according to the Soviet foreign office, Finland has been the offender and the aggressor, the willing tool of alien militarists, a country thirsting for blood, and blind to all reason or persuasion, the country that for the protection of Petrograd, and integrity of the largest power in Europe, must be crushed.

And perhaps the most depressing feature of the entire sickening business, is the fact that Stalin and his associates would hardly resort to such barefaced, infantile mendacity, if they didn't know, the Russian people—or at least a majority of them,—were gullible enough to swallow it.

Certainly they can't believe anyone outside of Russia will believe such nonsense. The whole nauseating clap-trap must have been rigged-up solely for home consumption,—so the people of Russia will support their red army and navy in a war of "self defense."

Incredible to anyone outside a totalitarian state, but it only goes to show, we fear, what an absolute tyranny, with the control of the press, the abolition of free speech and free assembly, can do in this supposedly enlightened age,—as far as the control of public thinking—and therefore public policy and action—are concerned.

BUT even more serious from the standpoint of world peace and stability, than this invasion of Finland by Soviet Russia per se, is the inescapable implication, that not only has Stalin adopted the Hitler technique, but if this conquest of Finland by force is really carried out, and Finland to all intents and purposes becomes a part of Russia, then the die is cast as far as Hitler and Stalin are concerned,—the latter can't afford from then on to let an allied conquest of Nazi Germany take place,—if he can prevent it.

In other words if this invasion of Finland, is what it SEEMS to be, then that non-aggression alliance between Germany and Russia is pretty sure to develop eventually, if it hasn't already,—into a military one.

And that, from any standpoint of world security and world decency is, in our judgment, the worst news since the war started.

Don't Miss "Hay Fever"

WE hereby let our readers in on a newspaper secret. One of the banes of non-metropolitan journalism are amateur theatricals.

For while they can't be ignored by the small daily, as they can be—and are—by the city press; nothing of real value can be said about them, because nothing discriminating is wanted by anyone.

As a result, amateur theatrical reviews in the small daily field, are a total loss as far as honest criticism is concerned, and a terrible chore as far as the newspaper staff is concerned,—they come under the general heading of blah and nothing else.

This is not because of any timidity on the part of the newspapers or fear of losing a few subscribers,—that isn't it—it is rather due to the essential nature of all amateur theatrical work.

No one expects them to be good from any professional standpoint. With them the "higher criticism" or any real criticism is therefore out of place. Like roasting the one-legged baseball player—it could be done of course, but the point is NOT that he played such a poor game but that he could play the GAME AT ALL! So with the amateur actors, the wonder is not that they are at times so bad, but that they can, with their inexperience and usually brief training, ACT AT ALL.

THEREFORE, we feel disposed to supplement whatever may appear in another column of this paper regarding the performance of Noel Coward's "Hay Fever" at the High school auditorium, last night (which as above indicated will be accepted as the usual complimentary reader and nothing else) with the statement, that it was really one of the very best amateur performances this department has ever seen, and those who fail to attend tonight, will miss an evening of genuine and refreshing entertainment. In fact there was only one flaw from first to last, and that was a minor one. The property man slipped when he didn't put coffee—or something more closely resembling coffee than hot water—in the breakfast table coffee pot!

So if you want a good laugh and see some genuinely good amateur acting,—acting with the ease, restraint and naturalness that amateur acting almost always LACKS,—get a seat before it's too late at the final showing tonight.

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From preliminary huffings, puffings and name-calling on both sides, it is being inferred that another big row between the utilities and the government is now in progress. This is not quite the fact. Both sides anxiously desire to avoid a row. Both sides want to compromise. The trouble, which has already caused the huffings, puffings and name callings aforementioned, arises from the feeling of each side that it is misunderstood by the other. Three great questions are at issue:

1. The securities and exchange commission has a previously undisclosed plan to start stern legal proceedings against utilities holding companies which have proved slow in integrating themselves under the holding company act. The members

of the SEC think they have waited long enough to get action from the utilities. A fair number of companies have been cooperative, and against these there is no complaint. The large majority, however, are thought by the SEC to be waiting for 1940 and a possible change in the political weather. This is not proposed to allow.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D.

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SUSCEPTIBILITY TO RESPIRATORY INFECTION

In order to keep the discussion on a practical basis and avoid vague conjecture it is well to remember that no one knows what "resistance" means, but we do know what immunity means, and so when we speak of susceptibility to respiratory infection, whether it is diphtheria or influenza or pneumonia or simple sore throat we mean that the individual has less immunity against the specific infection than is necessary to protect him against the disease.



Whether any particular factor or influence or condition or group of influences may raise or lower an individual's immunity to many or all of the respiratory infections is debatable.

In recent years many pathologists have come to believe that lack of or insufficient intake of certain vitamins, notably vitamin A, may render the individual more susceptible to any and all respiratory infections. The pathologists have formed this opinion from study of animal nutrition. They have found that a deficiency in the daily intake of vitamin A is responsible for impaired growth and function of the mucous membranes in all parts of the body, and when the mucous membranes lining the respiratory tract are not as healthy and vigorous as they should be, the individual's first line of defense against bacterial invasion is weakened.

When an individual is unduly susceptible to respiratory infection there is one way he can find out whether his susceptibility is due to vitamin A deficiency, and that is by seeing to it that his daily intake of vitamin A is considerably greater for a few months than may be necessary to keep a normal individual perfectly well. It may be practicable in some instances to get such an optimal vitamin A intake from food alone—as by drinking more milk and cream, eating more butter, egg yolk, carrot greens, liver, etc.; it is easier to take pure natural vitamin A in a capsule to supplement the diet—say three capsules daily, each capsule containing 25,000 units of natural vitamin A (not pro-vitamin A or carotene, which requires meta-

bolism in the animal body to convert it into natural or real vitamin A.) This therapeutic experiment can do no harm in any circumstance—no may improve health in other respects than just immunity against respiratory infection. For example it may relieve chronic dry eyes and feeling of "sand in the eyes," or night-blindness or undue sensitivity to glare in night driving.

Another common factor of susceptibility to the more chronic respiratory troubles, such as chronic rhinitis, chronic bronchitis, chronic laryngitis, chronic sinusitis, is overheated and hence excessively dried out atmosphere in the house in the season of artificial heating. The indoor temperature should be kept between 64 and 68 degrees Fahrenheit and never permitted to rise above 70. One means or another of "conditioning" the air, that is, humidifying it, should be used, no matter what method of heating is employed. I have a monograph on humidifying the home—send a stamped envelope bearing your address and ask for it.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Not in Same Category. Why not give us some more talks about rheumatism, neuritis and the like? If you have any literature along this line I would thank you for a copy. (T. A. B.)

Answer—The chief point of resemblance between arthritis (if that is what you call "rheumatism") and neuritis is that both affect human beings. Monograph on Arthritis available on request—inclose stamped envelope bearing your address. For booklet "The Ilii Called Rheumatism" inclose ten cents coin. Thank you for your suggestion—we'll have some articles on neuritis, arthritis, sciatica, lumbago.

Days In Bed. Is it true that a child should remain in bed nine days after the breaking out of measles rash? (Mrs. R. A. H.)

Answer—Ordinarily it is advisable that the patient remain at rest in bed only as long as the fever lasts, which makes some complication occurs which makes longer rest necessary.

Time for Dinner. Our children are five and seven years old and they go to bed at seven and eight o'clock respectively. Is it better for them to eat the main meal of the day at noon and a light supper at six o'clock, or lunch at noon and dinner at six? (P. D.)

Answer—Lunch, midday, hearty meal at end of day. (Projected by John F. Dille Co.)

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Each of these great questions is thoroughly confused by clamorous assertions and counter-assertions on both sides. Government men, like Harold Ickes and Benjamin V. Cohen, regard the grid system of high tension lines as perfectly innocent and very necessary. They state that until recently it was approved by the utilities men themselves. The utilities executives, on the other hand, see in the proposed system another governmental effort to obtain an increased foothold in their business, and are accordingly deeply alarmed.

So, too, the government men say that the St. Lawrence power project will affect only one utilities company, Niagara-Hudson, and that it will be the policy to establish cooperation between the project and the company. Utilities men regard the project as a symbol—a violation of the principle that there shall be no further governmental ventures in

the power business. As for the difference between the utility men's and the SEC's views of the utilities' compliance with the holding company act, it is such a broad chasm that bridging it will be well-nigh impossible. Only the president can impose a compromise. His handling of the problem will be highly indicative.

At the National Capitol With John W. Kelly (Continued from Page One.)

attributed, perhaps, to distances, the impulse of westerners to move around and the willingness to do without something else rather than be car-less.

ON THE farms of Oregon there are 69,830 passenger cars and 14,343 trucks. Washington farms have almost the same number of passenger cars, 69,587, but while Washington farms are a trifle under Oregon with passenger cars, it has 22,792 trucks moving crops.

Employed in the automobile business in Washington are 92,325 and of these an army of 68,382 are truck drivers. Oregon's employees in the industry number 60,454 and of these 44,220 drive trucks.

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 1, 1929. (It was Tuesday.) President Hoover in message condemns violations of the Volstead act.

Henry Ford predicts nation will enjoy "fair business" for next three months. Local couple of tender years, believed to have eloped. Six Jackson county districts vote extra road tax levy.

Letter to editor deplors "political agitators, now active in our midst", and predicts trouble. Frigid weather continues in Middle West, with no rain in sight for Pacific coast states, though badly needed for farming and curbing of forest fires.

Two youths who stole auto parked here are captured by Ashland police. County resident writes a testimonial advertisement stating "three bottles of Tanlac" have caused him to gain 15 pounds.

Santa Claus to parade Medford streets tonight. President Wilson in message to congress urges legislation curbing "radicals" and warning given to "Bolsheviks."

Nation wide industrial shutdown caused by shortage of coal, due to mine strike.

Ye Poets Corner. North Wind. (By Lily Grace Haynes.) Oh, strong north wind, grieving you cry. With so many tears, please tell me why. You take my breath, you are so cold; With wonder I fear you. Are you old, Lonely, lonely, lonely?

I, said the north wind, am sad and old. With bitter winter, so bleak and cold; While painting your windows and frosting each tree, What terrible sights in your land I see— Grieving, grieving, grieving.

I whistle and screech to make you do right; This message I give you day and night; Do the good you can in this, your day, The gifts you give are all that stay, Always, always, always.

My Neighbor's Garden. My neighbor has a garden fair, With sweet perfume, with blossoms rare; There hummingbirds seek daily food, While bees find honey for their brood. They share it with the passer-by, Who joy in it the same as I.

My thoughts and labor were not given To make of it a bit of heaven. My neighbor caught a vision bright, This strip of earth should give delight; God put the thought in neighbor's head, 'Twas He the tiny rootlets fed.

Dear neighbor, if you only knew How God and you were partners true. This bit of garden, one grand bouquet Cheered many hearts who passed this way. In it God put the joy of living, For in it grew the spirit of giving.

—Grace Haynes. Delivered 8,000 Babies. Worcester, Mass.—(U.P.)—When Dr. Joseph C. E. Tasse observed the 50th anniversary of his entry into practice, he announced that in that time he had delivered 8,000 babies.

The Grange. Central Point Grange. The regular meeting of the Central Point Grange will be held Friday evening, December 1.

Fern Valley. Fern Valley, Nov. 29.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. L. Hughes ate Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Roberts of Phoenix. Other guests present were Dr. and Mrs. Frank Roberts and daughter, Pauline of Medford and Mrs. Macie Wright of Phoenix.

Upper Rogue Grange. Home Economics club of the Upper Rogue Grange will have charging of the lecture hour. An amusing skit will be put on, and members are urged to be present at the next meeting to be held December 7.

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