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### Bravo Mr. Chips!

WE WONDER if the editorial staff of the Oregonian hasn't acquired a new member. For there is certainly a new note on that excellent page in our leading morning daily,—which we have been impressed with for several weeks now. It might be termed a note of amiable and chastened optimism.

Take the following extract, for example, from one of today's editorials, commenting upon the fact that the Aluminum Company of America, when it recently decided to establish a factory in the Bonneville area, chose Vancouver WASHINGTON, instead of Portland, OREGON for the site:

It has not concerned this page a great deal that the Aluminum Company of America chose a site for its new plant on the Washington side of the river instead of on the Oregon side. A location found on the Oregon side would probably have been as far from Portland's business center as the one selected, and it is not observed that the political boundary line between the two states is a barrier to trade.

There will be, it is true, some newly created tax values in Washington. But such enterprises lead to growth of new communities, and communities call for new schools, and fire and police protection and all the things for which tax revenues are expended. We often talk hopefully of getting a reduction in taxes through industrial development, but new costs of government made necessary by industrial development usually keep pace with new tax revenues.

There was a time,—not so long ago,—when there would have been a weeping and wailing and gnashing of partial plates,—but not today under the new,—and let us say, improved,—dispensation.

What do new factories and increased industrial development amount to anyway?—merely new schools, new fire and police protection, new streets, highways, alleys, etc., etc., all the things for which tax revenues are expended!

IN PRECISELY the same spirit, young man, when you next ask the boss for a salary raise, and it is abruptly denied, don't complain, don't become downhearted,—

For hasn't your pal at the next desk had a raise, and what would an enlarged income amount to anyway, merely an increase in the income taxes you will have to pay!

### Time to Face the Facts

WE DON'T wish to be captious but we are a trifle weary of all this pretense, as far as neutrality is concerned.

Yesterday at his regular conference President Roosevelt was asked why the government did not enforce the provisions of the Neutrality Act, forbidding loans to belligerents, as far as Finland is concerned.

His reply was that there is no war between Finland and Russia, because it has not been declared.

So, for the same reason, there is no war between Japan and China, and was no war between Italy and Ethiopia, nor is or was there war between Germany and Poland!

True enough in a strictly technical sense, but why let the farce go on!

Everyone knows declarations of war are out of date except in England. And everyone also knows that when hostilities break out, and blood flows in the streets, WAR IS A FACT!

MOREOVER not only the letter but the spirit of the recently enacted neutrality act, was to prevent this country from becoming financially involved with ANY BELLIGERENT, and as long as that is the law it should be enforced. If the government doesn't like the law then it is up to the government to wink at its violation, and with tongue in cheek, solemnly pretend no war exists.

THE President is right when he says there is a great desire in this country to assist Finland in every possible way. There is, and this column favors giving to the Hoover fund 'till it hurts. But we don't favor the government loaning money to Finland or any other belligerent when the law specifically says it can't.

It is not an original thought but after all the prime duty in any democracy, regarding an unpopular law is not to VIOLATE the law but change it.

### He's There at the Scratch

YES when it comes to the test, old Johnny Bull never,—or almost never,—is found wanting.

He is easy-going, he cuts up scandalous capers in Hyde Park (oratorically), and he can be at times irritatingly smug. But when something really important comes up, and particularly when it involves the empire the old boy seldom falters,—and never completely flops.

SO IN the alleged cabinet crisis of yesterday, when everyone predicted Mr. Hore-Belisha would heave a monkey wrench into the works, nothing of the sort occurred.

The retired,—or fired,—Minister of War, was politeness and propriety itself. However his pride may have been hurt, he gave no evidence of it,—or of anything else!

THERE were undoubtedly various and sundry bit-ternesses and burnings beneath the surface, but with the welfare of the empire involved and team play and national unity acutely important there was a general, and a gentlemanly, agreement, to keep them there. Its a great quality, that. As long as its retained, we doubt if the British Empire, can ever suffer permanent defeat.

## 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 numbers of letters received only a few can be answered. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

### CHRONIC GOOSEFLESH

Cutis asserina (gooseflesh to you—and to me if I hadn't a medical dictionary at my elbow) is ordinarily a temporary or passing occurrence (almost a phenomenon) provoked by exposure to cold or by horror or sudden terror.



What happens is simply contraction of the arrector pili muscle. This is a minute involuntary muscle attached to each hair follicle (pud, cup or depression from which the hair shaft grows) in such a way that contraction of the muscle makes the hair stand more nearly upright or "on end." As the hair follicles or wells around the orifices of the sebaceous or oil glands, contraction of the arrectores pili muscles has the effect of making these "pores" stand out, so that the appearance suggests the flesh of a goose after the feathers have been plucked.

Gooseflesh from cold passes as soon as you exercise, play or work hard enough to stir up your circulation. Gooseflesh from sudden terror passes as soon as the banister goes along about her business.

In certain skin diseases or derangements the affected areas of skin assume an appearance of permanent gooseflesh. Conforming with an old medical custom, the malady being comparatively trivial, we call it keratosis pilaris, which in ordinary language is a formation of papules of horny character around the hair follicle openings, most noticeable over the sides of the thighs and arms, where the skin resembles a nutmeg grater.

Associated with the horny papules or chronic gooseflesh there is usually an abnormally dry state of the skin, deficient secretion of sebum or skin oil, and more or less harshness and irritation or some itching.

Hitherto physicians have had only vague ideas as to the cause of chronic gooseflesh once they have attached a ten dollar name to the complaint.

Recently students of nutrition have thrown light on the problem. From many parts of the world have come reports of studies which show fairly conclusively that vitamin A deficiency is an important factor of

such skin trouble in a great many cases. In fact such investigators have learned that the peculiar nutmeg-grater-like appearance of the skin of the body (seldom the face) associated with abnormal dryness of the skin (xerosis) is generally evident long before manifestations of xerophthalmia, night-blindness and other serious nutritional disturbances develop, in persons who get insufficient natural vitamin A.

When I say natural vitamin A I mean the vitamin obtained from fish or animal sources, not carotene or pro-vitamin A present in fruits or vegetables, for this must be metabolized in the body before it can function as a vitamin.

While the normal body can manufacture vitamin A from carotene, I suggest that any one who wishes to test vitamin A as the possible curative factor needed should supplement his diet with a daily ration of not less than 100,000 international units of natural vitamin A for two or three weeks—that means taking four capsules daily, each containing 25,000 units—and after that taking two such capsules daily for several months. At the same time, of course, he should see to it that his diet includes liberal proportions of the foods rich in pro-vitamin A, such as milk, cream, butter, yellow cheese, mammalian liver, egg yolk, escarole (chicory greens), spinach, dandelion greens, carrots, bananas, oranges, tomatoes, yellow squash, sweet potato, spinach, head lettuce, Romaine lettuce, kale.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.  
Total Failure.  
Tried your potassium chloride treatment on my hay fever last August and September and found no relief whatever. Why do you recommend such a worthless remedy?—B. M. G.

Answer—Potassium chloride, available in five-grain or ten-grain tablets (dose, five or ten grains dissolved in glass of water three times daily for a week or so, as needed), has brought great relief to many sufferers with hay fever, chronic sinusitis, allergic rhinitis, eczema, hives, spasmodic asthma, and other manifestations of allergy. Why it fails in some cases I do not know. Sometimes readers who try it make the mistake of swallowing the tablet (or powder) as such; it should be taken only dissolved in plenty of water.

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important in the Finnish loan question because the ruble contraction was ever pushing the loan immediately or letting sentiment for it rise still further.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull was the advocate of watching and waiting. He has always wanted to see a loan made to Finland, but he was understandably reluctant to risk another congressional fight when his trade agreements were giving him trouble enough already. He advised the president that if anything was to be done for the Finns, the congressional leaders ought to take the lead in doing it.

Opposing Hull were the treasury officials, led by Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr. They have long championed the use of economic weapons in foreign relations. One of Morgenthau's favorite slogans is, "It's cheaper to lend a few millions, than to build more battleships." Morgenthau is understood to have spoken strongly for a Finnish loan, just as he did for last year's \$25,000,000 to China.

Between Morgenthau and Hull was the president himself, sympathetic with Hull's viewpoint, yet sharing Morgenthau's desire to make a loan. Congress seemed favorable to the loan plan, but the congressional leaders took the stand that the state department ought to make the first move. This created a sort of "after you, Alphonse" situation, in which the president, aware of the seriousness of the time factor accepted the initiative himself. Thus plans for putting through a loan were laid at the Monday conference between the congressional leaders and the president.

The amount of the loan was cut down to \$25,000,000 from the \$50,000,000 proposed in the bills of Senator Brown and Representative Hook. This was unfortunate, but necessary to speed passage, since the chief objection heard to the loan is that we need our own money too badly to send abroad so large a sum as \$50,000,000.

With the smaller amount inserted and other details fixed to please critics, the loan bill ought to pass more rapidly than some of the wisecracks would have you believe. The basic congressional sentiment is strong for making the loan. The most violent isolationists, while they may vote no, admire the Finns' brave fight too much to oppose the bill in earnest. The only real threat to congressional passage, which may be overcome in this instance by energetic leadership.

Portland, Jan. 17.—(P)—Bids for a \$200,000 administration building and hangar at Portland's new airport was opened yesterday by United Air Lines

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FIRE ravages the Japanese city of Shizuoka, tea-shipping center not far from Tokyo. EIGHT THOUSAND homes and business buildings lie in smoking ruins. There are two known dead and 50,000 homeless.

Insurance companies estimate their loss at 25 million yen (around five million dollars). The catch is that only a part of the loss is covered by insurance. When you work for only a few cents a day, as the Japanese do, you can't spare much for insurance premiums.

CHINA'S war losses, Japanese inflicted and so immense as to make the Shizuoka fire look like the mere scratching of a match, are not insured. War can't be insured against.

TENSION on the Belgium-Holland border eases as Russ-Scandinavian tension tightens.

(These developments are probably related. If Hitler has to help Stalin lick the Swedes and the Norwegians, along with the Finns, he won't be anxious to take on any more fighting fronts.)

THE soviet accuses Sweden of "forcing her unemployed to fight for Finland." That sounds almost as absurd as the soviet claim that little Finland deliberately attacked big Russia, but is interesting for this reason:

In these days of undeclared wars of conquest, we've come to associate the making of absurd claims with the desire to take somebody's shirt.

FORMER Premier Paul van Zeeland, of Belgium, speaking in Brussels, urges small Belgian manufacturers to seek markets in the United States, where, he says, there are "immense possibilities of development."

Quote that statement (which comes from a foreigner) to the next jellyfish American who tries to tell you that the great days of U. S. prosperity are over and that in the future we must pull in our belts and live on short rations as the Europeans do.

OREGON, in 1939, produced more gold than in any year since mining began in the state. Ask yourself this question: If Oregon, in 1939, can produce more gold than in the bonanza days of the 1850's, why isn't it possible for the United States to PRODUCE MORE JOBS than in the bonanza days of the 1920's?

Then see if you can answer your own question.

FORCED ARBITRATION WON'T WORK—MORSE

Oregon City, Jan. 17.—(P)—Compulsory arbitration of labor disputes "just won't work," Dean Wayne L. Morse told the Oregon City chamber of commerce yesterday.

"There is only one power for an arbitrator—that of the good faith of the parties. His award is no stronger than that," the University of Oregon law school head and Pacific coast waterfront arbitrator stated.

FSA LOANS AVAILABLE TO 4-H YOUNGSTERS

Portland, Jan. 17.—(P)—Farm security administration will open its loan fund to 4-H club and Future Farmers of America whose parents are FSA borrowers. Walter A. Duffy, regional director, said today.

The money could be used for livestock, poultry, seed and fertilizer, or projects approved by county agents or Smith-Hughes instructors.

London, Jan. 17.—(P)—An elderly, white-haired man visited Minister G. A. Gripenberg at the Finnish legation today and gave him 5,000 pounds (about \$20,000) in cash to help Finland, but left without disclosing his identity.

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AT THE National Capitol WITH John W. Kelly

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Kenzie. An even million is needed for surveys, studies and plans. Not much chance for even a beginning on other dams on the project.

FROM Canby, Clackamas County, Ore., south to Eugene, Lane County, the soil of the Willamette Valley is ideal for growing fiber flax. Last year 2270 acres were devoted to that purpose. It is likely that the acreage will be more than doubled in the current year, as the department of agriculture has been asked to support a plan to increase the acreage about 3000 acres.

Consent of the department is required if the flax farmers are to receive benefits. Benefits are on a declining scale, beginning with \$7 a ton the first year, \$6 the second and so on down to \$1, by which time the farmers and the government will know whether the industry will be self-sustaining. An acre grows between 1.5 and 2 tons. Retting and scutching plants in the valley have a capacity to accommodate the increased acreage.

Within a few weeks it will be known whether Secretary of Agriculture Wallace approves, and that will be near the deadline for planting.

CLOAKROOM gossip—Thomas G. Corcoran (Tommy the Cork, when House minister), is reported sticking his nose into Washington state politics. Elevation of Senator Lewis B. Swelvenbach to the federal bench would leave a vacancy from Washington, to be filled by appointment by Governor Clarence Martin. Stephen S. Chadwick, recently completing a year as national commander of American Legion, is supposed to have a promise from Martin for the appointment to fill the unexpired term of Swelvenbach. But Chadwick is a Democrat and not a new dealer and Corcoran does not want Chadwick appointed even for the few months.

As the story goes, Corcoran wants Martin to resign as governor, which would make Vic Meyers, lieutenant-governor, the chief executive and the appointment to fill the unexpired term of Swelvenbach. Back of the move is the matter of Washington delegates to the Democratic nominating convention; White House politicians want delegates who will go whichever way the Great White Father desires.

THERE is certain information Senator Holman, Oregon, wants, but the government officials are so fearful of losing their jobs if their superiors know they are furnishing the data, that these government men have to sneak off somewhere to meet the senator.

"Think of it," says Holman. "I am a United States senator, entitled to be given information on government business, as a matter of right and my position, but these government employees and I have to get together like a group of conspirators to discuss government business. Isn't that a fine state of affairs?"

INTERIOR department annual report states that \$78,309 was collected in Oregon for grazing fees; from Washington \$2,187; from Idaho \$119,772. Stockmen in the 11 western public land states paid for grazing almost one million dollars.

Flight O' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY January 17, 1930. (It was Friday.)

High hopes nations of world will agree to naval limitations to insure world peace.

Slow thaw continues in Rogue river valley, and more snow and rain predicted.

Senate ready to vote on repeal of Volstead law.

Mayor Pipes issues urgent appeal for citizens to clear snow off sidewalks.

Robert Norris assumes duties as pathologist for Pinnacle Packing company.

Ari Hickman, famous jazz music leader, dies.

Valley shrouded by heaviest fog in years.

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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

"The Christian Front" a militant organization that plotted the overthrow of the American form of government, as far as the records show to date, never did anything religious, outside of taking up a collection.

The California "Ham 'N Eggs" plan has changed its slogan from "\$30, every Thursday" to "\$20, Now." Some protest has been voiced by followers, who probably feel it would be better to cut out the eggs, and retain the \$30 objective.

Candidates have started asking farmers how the spring wheat is coming along, and when the Grange will hold a chicken dinner.

THE UNKINDEST SLAP (Bluff) (Calif.) News) "The Sunday metropolitan papers boast of the fact that they have 20 or 30 or maybe 40 come pages. And this without counting the society page, which we contend is the funniest of them all."

Belgium and The Netherlands—the lowland countries—fear attacks by Germany, which under the management of one Adolf Hitler, is also something of a low land.

H. Bridges, the Australian alien, whose hellraising genius has cost workers and agriculturists of the three Pacific Coast states plenty, is dissatisfied with the Immigration Service, and its effort to send him home. A great many native born Americans, in the area mentioned, are also unhappy about the way things turned out, for Mr. Bridges.

Update editors, notably the Eugene Register-Guard and the Salem Statesman, complain the stories told by the President at the Jackson Day banquet, at which, the statesmen present laughed so heartily, and politely, (they knew what was good for them), were not funny. No democratic subscribers have as yet demanded, if the protesting scribes, know any funnier ones, to go ahead and print them.

CAN THE GAL COOK? (Atlanta Constitution) "In Fremont, Neb., professors at Midland college, call Mary Reynolds, 17, the most versatile co-ed in a decade. Besides being the "brightest freshman" because she scored 197 in an intelligence test, to top 139 classmates, Mary is a talented pianist, violinist, singer, debater, journalist and thespian."

F. Lutz, the Antelope social whirl, who has been tied down to the farm for years, loosened up the knots, and came to town Tuesday.

A close study of calendars for this year reveals that they are adorned with two Thanksgiving Days. If the high command of the republican party show as much sense as the voters are talking, and nominate a presidential candidate with normal oratorical powers, and some stage presence, two Thanksgiving Days won't be any too many.

The weather continues ideal for hog-killing, and the Hob Deuel woodshed. Many are enjoying the cold, and, for the most part are citizens who alleged last August they enjoyed the heat.

Salvation Army. Houston, Texas, Jan. 17.—(P)—Four men were burned to death and five injured in a fire which demolished the Salvation Army industrial home at the corner of McKee and Rothwell early this morning.