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Ye Smudge Pot
 By ARTHUR PERRY

School was excused Fri. for the summer, causing many Maws to leap for joy, that Jr. and Sister would be home all day again. Schoolma'ams also did some informal leaping. The senior class received sheepskins, and will be busy for some time, following all the advice bestowed upon them.

S. (Farm-Fresh) Morris, the T.R.K. tiller planted watermelons Wed. They will be ready for stealing by Sept. and friends are urged to do better than they did last year.

Vern (Shotgun) Canon made a report on the third term notion Thurs. without making a sound.

Valley corn is now hip-pocket high, and giving the country weeds a great race to see which will make it the farthest up.

The Con DeVore grandson purchased a bulldozer Wed. at the 5 & 10. It looks like he would turn out to be a steam shovel man, instead of a butcher.

V. Brophy, the cowman is himself again, and once more feeling of his oats, after calling doctors by their first name for about a year.

The warm days of the past week brought out the gals in their summer finery, including the rolled socks, or none at all.

A large portion of the population have been spending all of their time when not sleeping worrying about the European war. Mark Twain once wrote: "I have spent most of my life worrying about things, that never happened". If you must worry, there are plenty of Made-in-America problems, that need fretting about.

The populace received the thanks of candidates last week for their votes. All forgot to say: P.S. Don't forget me in November, Pal.

The horse chestnut tree blossoms have started to fade, and are now as homely, as they once were pretty.

Haying is underway in the valley, and, of course it had to look like rain.

Several have reported some 5th column workers have been in the flower gardens.

The dull scrunch of a speeding auto hitting an unbending phone pole was heard several times in the residential areas the past week. The occupants were unscathed, and for some time will attend to their 80 mph business, at a moderate walk.

The Elks tomat was introduced to the Dock Barnum daschund Fri. pm, but was not emotionally moved enough to straighten out a whisker, let alone hiss. This feline is as independent as an independent voter, so independent he won't vote.

Ward Spatz, the Gibraltar of the democratic party in these parts, has been mentioned, for state chairman, and it would serve him right.

April Gas Sales
 Salem, May 25.—(P)—A total of 20,724,863 gallons of gasoline was consumed in Oregon during April, an increase of 735,884 gallons over the previous month. Secretary of State Snell reported today.

A Return To Common Sense?

PORTLAND's overwhelming defeat of its P.U.D. project a week ago is a cheering sign. For such a defeat clearly indicates a return to sanity in the matter of the perennial electric light and power problem, which for so many years has been a badly battered football in partisan politics.

And sanity means, the people don't want any return to the Insull doctrine, on one hand; or destruction of the private power and light industry on the other.

They DO want cheaper light and power, preferably under private ownership, and public regulation.

If private ownership refuses to give it to them, then they will insist upon public ownership.

But only in such an emergency. Other things being all equal, they are in favor of private ownership, and against placing business, big or little, under the control of partisan politics.

SUCH a common sense, middle-of-the-road, attitude toward the light and power problem, on the part of people, was clearly indicated in last Friday's overwhelming vote.

We trust the power companies won't misinterpret this, as a green light, for a return to the good old days.

One little move in that direction, and down they will go, where they were a decade ago (and would deserve to be!), less than six inches from the edge of the bottomless pit!

The Buzzard Barometer

THE war reports from Europe continue to be contradictory and confusing.

Here before us, for example, are the latest Berlin, Paris and London communiques.

Berlin claims the allied armies are in the bag, all that remains is to sew up the top,—and,—GOOD-NIGHT!

Paris claims, Weygand has smashed the German lines back 15 miles, a break through is imminent, in which case, German's coast legions will be completely cut off.

London accepts this optimistic Paris report, as a strong "RUMOR", emphasizes successes of the sea and air fleets against the Germans in Flanders, and hints a surprise for Hitler in the way of sudden British reinforcements, via the Belgian coast.

So you can pay your money and take your choice,—round and round the little ball goes, where it drops nobody knows!

PROBABLY in such a situation the wise man will disregard the Berlin, Paris and London reports altogether, and keep his ear tuned on Rome.

For it seems generally agreed Mussolini is smart, has access to sources of inside war information which can be depended upon, and is vitally concerned with only one thing, which side is going to win.

Therefore if Rome reports are belligerently anti-British, one can be pretty sure, the allies are still getting the worst of it. If they aren't, and a note of neutrality creeps in, one can be equally sure, Hitler's Blitzkrieg has started to slip.

We dislike to grant anything to this loathsome buzzard posing as a fighting cock, but can't deny, he is probably the best war barometer, to consult, at the present writing.

Idle Dollars

BANKERS report that there are now \$6,000,000,000 of idle money in American banks. It has been rising lately at the rate of \$100,000,000 a week. All these billions presumably could be lent and turned to productive use without weakening bank credit.

Financial writers say it is largely a result of the huge gold exports still pouring into the federal treasury and now well along toward \$20,000,000,000.

That vast accumulation of gold has never been clearly explained, and this department can't explain it.

Presumably the experts who have advised the Federal Treasury have some definite ideas about it. Perhaps they think it will be useful at the close of the war, now in its early stages and rapidly expanding and threatening to extend over most of the world.

Perhaps such a stock of hard gold might enable the United States to put together again an international economy shot to pieces by a long, devastating conflict.

BUT what in the meantime are the government and Federal Reserve Board and the individual banks around the country going to do with the vast credit built up in their institutions? And what is going to be done by the business men and private investors who normally use bank credit to put money to work expanding old fields of enterprise and creating new ones?

This is a question which rises far above any class prejudice or party politics. It may deeply involve the fate of our economic and political system. Idle money, perhaps, may prove as undesirable as idle men. Rightly handled, on the other hand, it could put the idle men to work.—R. S.

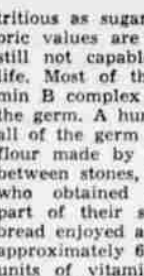
Deny Ship Loss
 London, May 25.—(P)—The Ministry of Information said today that "a German claim that eight ships and two minesweepers have been lost off the coast of South Africa from the effects of German mines is entirely false."
Airmen Shot
 Belfast, Northern Ireland, May 25.—(P)—Three British fliers, returning to an airfield in County Antrim by automobile last night, were shot and slightly wounded by highway police whose challenge they apparently failed to hear.

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.

A LITTLE WHEAT GERM NOW AND THEN

The embryo or germ of the wheat kernel composes perhaps one-twentieth part of the kernel, being the portion at one end of the kernel from which the seed sprouts. The germ is the life center of source. Without the germ wheat is a lifeless mass of starch—highly nutritious, as nutritious as sugar so far as caloric values are concerned, but still not capable of sustaining life. Most of the natural vitamin B complex of wheat is in the germ. A hundred years ago all of the germ was left in the flour made by grinding wheat between stones, and the people who obtained a considerable part of their sustenance from bread enjoyed a daily ration of approximately 600 international units of vitamin B, according to Cowgill's computation. Refined white bread today does not make up such a large part of the average diet, but the other foods which are commonly used in its place provide no better nutrition. As Joliffe, quoted by Cowgill in the latter's report published in the Jour. A. M. A. Dec. 9, '39, expressed it:



"It seems, therefore, that a 55 percent fraction of the calories in the American diet of 1840 containing a minimum of 600 international units of vitamin B1 has been replaced in the contemporary American diet by a like fraction containing only about 50 international units."
 Nutrition authorities at present are fairly well agreed that one must get at least 300 international units of vitamin B1 daily in order to remain free from actual manifestations of deficiency disease; and perhaps 600 to 900 units daily should be provided to insure optimal nutrition, the highest degree of functional health and well being, or what I call vite.

Wheat germ meal varies considerably in content of vitamin B1 complex and in other components, but to the best of my knowledge the average wheat germ meal contains 100 to 120 international units of vitamin B1.

Since the death of my father, a physician, I have depended on you for medical and health advice. Off suggestion you gave me (calcium and vitamin D for headache) has proved highly successful. (Mrs. D. E. W.)
 Ans.—Thank you. Detailed instructions for using that and other remedies for headache are given in the 10-page folder on "Why Have Headache?" for copy sent stamped (3c) envelope bearing your address.
 Spring Tonic
 kindly tell me what to use to make old-time spring tonic containing sulfur and molasses. (E. O.)
 Ans.—The sulfur and molasses about equal parts of each, and a teaspoonful or two daily acts as a mild laxative. The "tonic" action is imaginary.
 (Protect by John F. Dille Co.)
 Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

THE CAPITAL PARADE

By JOSEPH ALSOP and ROBERT KINTNER
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Washington, May 25.—In this dark time, when the men of mud and blood may be on the eve of triumph, when the danger to our own country is all too clear and may be all too near, it is not reassuring to find most of the leaders of the American government, filled with a curious, tragic bafflement.

In truth, this is the first time in the history of the administration when not one of the factions around him seemed to possess the clue to the president's course. For the United States, in the present crisis, the first and obvious question is the national defense. The president has asked congress for supplemental defense appropriations.

He has discussed the defense problem with most of his chief subordinates as well as with industrialists and leaders of the Republican opposition. Yet not one single individual, either in the defense service, or the treasury, or the state department, or among the new dealers who were once so close to the president, seems able to supply the answers to two vital questions:

(1) Why did the president ask congress for so much less than it is known the army and navy need? and (2) by what sort of organization will the defense program be pushed forward to completion?

The president's original request of \$1,182,000,000 has already been modestly supplemented for the army, and increased by large appropriations and authorizations for naval aviation. Yet the navy is well known to need immeasurably more than is being provided. As for the army, the high officials of the war department presented an initial schedule of minimum expenditures required totaling just short of \$1,500,000,000 for ordinary military purposes and about \$1,600,000,000 more for planes.

Not one penny was included in the schedule which it would not be useful to appropriate now. Although \$750,000,000 is needed for tanks and although the engines, frame-work and guns of the tanks might now be built, no money was asked for them because the armor plate to finish them is not presently available. In truth, appropriations so far are probably only a quarter, and certainly not more than a third of what they ought to be.

Flight O' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

May 26, 1930
 California power interests proposed big power plant on lower Rogue, and fishermen aroused.

King's Highway breaks down after heavy detour traffic, during repairs to Pacific Highway.

Coast mills to cut output due to slump in building.

Miss Marjorie Kelly of this city, has been named physical education director at Albany college.

Bad luck dogs Henry Fuhrer in annual regatta at Emigrant Dam.

Edison Marshall, the author, returns from Georgia for a visit.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
 May 26, 1920
 (It was Wednesday)
 Ivory soap millionaire advances half million dollars for campaign of Gen. Leonard Wood, it is revealed at Senate probe.

Civil war spreads over Albania.

Baking powder and flour advance in price here.

Gold Hill schools close for the summer.

Ashland plans big Fourth of July celebration.

Mayor Gates claims city "double-crossed" in its efforts to get a sugar beet factory.

Mercy Liner Sails
 New York, May 25.—(P)—The United States liner President Roosevelt pointed her nose toward Ireland today on a wartime errand of state, after a two-hour delay while federal agents carefully checked each officer and crewman.

Wheat Supply Report
 Washington, May 25.—(P)—The agriculture department reported today that the American wheat supply in the 1940-41 season would total approximately 963,000,000 bushels on the basis of present indications.

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Courthouse Damaged
 Goldendale, May 25.—(P)—Fire of undetermined origin, but starting in an upstairs washroom, damaged the 51-year-old courthouse here early today. Fire Chief Martin Spalding estimated the damage at \$10,000. No records were destroyed.

WASHINGTON'S Senator Bone has sponsored a measure to authorize an appropriation for an international electrical exposition to be held in 1942, in Washington and Oregon. The idea is to feature the power of the government dams in Columbia river, as Grand Coulee is expected to "come in" by that year.

CALIFORNIA'S (Ham and Eggs) Downey is pleased at the unsolicited support of Oregon Townspeople in writing his name in the recent primaries as their choice for vice-president. Confidentially, spokesmen for old age pensions are sounding out senators to ascertain if they will support a \$60 a month program. The \$200 a month proposal has faded out.

NEWPORT, TOLEDO FEEL EARTHQUAKE

Newport, May 25.—(P)—The sharpest earthquake ever felt here shook houses, rattled dishes and light fixtures at 8 a.m. today.

Toledo, a short distance up the Yaquina river, reported feeling the shock at 8:02 a.m., and said it lasted for 10 seconds. No damage was reported.

Recount Asked

McMinnville, May 25.—(P)—A thirteen-vote defeat isn't convincing to State Rep. W. R. Osborne. He asked for a recount of the republican vote which gave him 1,520 votes against Peter Zimmerman's 1,533 for the second legislative nomination.

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