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Editorial Correspondence

Vancouver, B. C., July 29.—Still raining. Which must be a record of some sort as June was one of the driest on record.

The rouge sales must be short in this man's town. More pink cheeks per capita than anywhere else on the coast.

We will see that Vancouver isn't on our itinerary next time for SUNDAY however, particularly a rainy one. For the Mayor is a blue-nosed Puritan and won't allow movies on the Sabbath, so we were forced to defy Jupiter Pluvius and take a try at the symphony concert in Stanley park. Just as the overture to the "Merry Wives of Windsor" was getting toward the close the rain started down in earnest, so everyone ran for shelter as if the Germans had started bombing. We finally found a dry spot in the pavilion, a couple of chairs and a couple of ice cream cones, and it was amazing how many of the Vancouver population did likewise.

One pink-cheeked, robust young matron with a baby on one arm, chewed with evident relish a ripe tomato and when the baby let out a yell of protest, she handed him over to her companion with the observation, "he's wild today, he's simply wild!"

We like these people, and the way they spend the Sunday,—the man, the woman and all the children,—there is something very quaint and wholesome about it.

On the other side of us was an elderly couple (what is elderly these days anyway!) much annoyed at the conversation going on, and trying with frequent "shushes" to dispel it. It was obvious they knew their music and enjoyed it,—they had pretty good luck too, for aside from a couple of Japanese girls who were tremendously amused about something apparent to no one else, the gathering in our section was almost reverently quiet when the music started.

The man was a typical British Columbian,—no longer young, far from opulent, but extremely British and proud of it.

Once upon a time the Prince of Wales must have visited British Columbia and for some reason (perhaps after a hard night) got his wardrobe mixed or changed his valet,—at any rate, put on a pair of grey flannel slacks and a brown sports coat. At any rate, that is the only way we can explain why this is the approved apparel for so many of the British Columbian "older boys"—for it isn't a particularly attractive combination. However one can't be here long without realizing it is the "comme il faut" wardrobe for this section of the British empire. And usually a boutonniere preferably of lavender sweet peas, and a well-caked briar pipe, as added embellishment.

We like that too,—older boys taking care with their clothes and keeping them neat and well brushed even though they may be patched and slightly frayed in spots. We believe it was Thomas Carlyle who wrote a book on that subject,—he never cared how he looked but he thought it important in others. The point we wish to make is that the less these British Columbian older boys have to spend on their clothes the more pains they take to see what they have are not ornamented with gray spots, or down at the heel, but kept up to snuff,—and of the proper two-tone combination and cut. It's all to their credit, we think.

Called on a newspaper here and talked with one of the executives in the news department—a new one since our last visit. The man we used to see is now in England in the intelligence department. This chap confirmed our suspicion that the war reports here in Canada are censored far more strictly than in the "States"—in fact he frankly stated the reports from London except from two or three special writers, weren't worth a damn, as far as facts are concerned.

"The truth is," said he, "the air casualties are terrific in this war on both sides,—and neither pretends to tell the truth about them. The theory is if they did, the home morale might break—and in a fuss to the death, neither side can take a chance of that. I can't recall the exact figures but my recollection is the air casualties to date, are around ten times what they were in proportion to numbers engaged, in trench warfare in the World war, and over four times those in offensives on land in 1914. Ninety hours of combat service is the average limit, before there's a casualty to plane or crew, or both,—and I am certain the Germans have suffered more than the British. On the other hand, the Germans can afford to lose more for they not only had a big head start, but with the collapse of France, they got the entire French air fleet, added to their own, which puts them far in the lead at the present moment.

"I think," he continued, "that the worst is over however, and Hitler really has shot his bolt. In fact the best posted men here in Canada, don't expect him to ever launch an offensive by sea against England,—he would be blown to pieces if he tried it. He will make a big bluff, in that direction, but really concentrate on Africa and the Mediterranean, and with Mussolini's aid—which isn't expected to be much—try to gain control down there and then dig in and ask Great Britain what she is going to do about it. That wouldn't be such a soft spot either, for on the defensive Germany will be hard to beat, but as I see it, the tide has really turned, Germany can't win, and Churchill was right when he said in another twelve months or so, England, not Germany, will have taken up the offensive."

Today between showers took a ferry trip to North Vancouver where we saw a Canadian destroyer with steam up ready to go somewhere, judging by the activity and the number of men aboard,—another warship in dry dock having a new pilot house built,—and many naval lads about in their white and blue caps and navy blue coats,—looking very trim and smart. Took a car line up the heights but were stopped by a sign which declared no one allowed beyond that point,—it being the source of Vancouver's water supply, which naturally is carefully guarded during war time. There were also armed men,—civilians, with guns thrown over their shoulders on straps,—walking up and down guarding the wharves.

The newspaper man was very anxious to get our view of the presidential election but we refused to go any further than to say it promised to be a hot race.

"Most Canadians are for Roosevelt," said he, "but from what I can learn as far as your policy toward the war is concerned it's six of one and half a dozen of the other. My understanding is they are both against U. S. participation in the war, and both for giving England all the aid possible, short of war."

The campaign not having started we let it go at that.

—R. W. R.

Ex-Circus Freak Unnerved Spouse
Rochester, N. Y., July 31.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Estelle G. Vandemark, 24, was granted a marriage annulment today when she testified that her husband, Robert, 26, chewed razor blades, ate glass and sewed buttons on his flesh "just to make me nervous."

Supreme Court Justice William Love awarded the annulment after Mrs. Vandemark testified that her husband had been a circus freak before entering the automobile agency business.

Ruby Keeler Drops Reconciliation Try
Chicago, July 31.—(U.P.)—Dancer Ruby Keeler packed her bags today for a trip to California—a trip for which she gave up all attempts to effect a reconciliation with her former husband, Al Jolson, and quit her \$1,000 a week job in his musical "Hold on to Your Hat."

She quit the show last night after Jolson gave her a release from her run-of-the-show contract. The Jolson separated a year ago after being married 11 years.

Personal Health Service

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.

FOUR OUNCES OF WHEAT GERM DAILY

A reader says she noticed in this column recently mention of someone who claimed four ounces of wheat germ cannot be eaten daily; that one who tries to eat so much wheat germ would find himself not hungry for other food. The reader says she has found that not true.

The reader goes on to say she was very sick with colitis three years ago. She grew thin, weak and miserable. Everything she ate hurt her. X-rays proved there was no serious trouble, but just mucous colitis.

(Note by Brady: How any such thing could be proved by X-rays is far beyond my ken. But let the lady continue with her story.)

"Then I began to read about wheat germ in your column. I procured a supply and began eating two heaping tablespoons, chewing it up before every meal, and two heaping tablespoons before going to bed. I believe I must get about four ounces daily this way.

"In a short time I was cured of all colitis trouble. You may be sure I have continued eating the wheat germ every day the year around, and I am everlastingly grateful to you for teaching me about its value. For the benefit of those who claim one can't eat so much wheat germ, let me say that I find taking this neither disagreeable nor too filling. In fact I enjoy it. It keeps me from stuffing on rich foods that are not so good for me, and keeps my weight normal. Altogether it seems to have done good effects on my general health and digestion. I can't eat bran and other rough foods, but wheat germ never gives me any trouble. It keeps me regular, and prevents flatulence and pain."

The germ or embryo of wheat is the small portion near one end of the wheat kernel from which wheat sprouts or germinates or grows. The germ part constitutes about 5 per cent of the whole kernel. In the milling of wheat to produce refined white flour, all of the germ

portion, along with the outer coats of the kernel, the bran, is removed—it goes into "middlings" to be used chiefly as feed for fowl and animals.

Any miller who cares to bother can catch out a few pounds of fresh wheat germ at any time. More and more mills now do so, to supply the steadily increasing demand for fresh wheat germ. Wheat germ should be as fresh as possible for use in the diet to supply the important vitamin B complex, because it deteriorates in vitamin strength on storage for more than a week or two, and in vitamin E content (the oil in wheat germ is the richest known source of vitamin E) it deteriorates even more rapidly.

Taking an average of a number of biological assays of such wheat germ, I estimate that wheat germ contains approximately 115 international units of thiamin (vitamin B1) in the ounce (two rounded tablespoons) as well as all of the other entities of the B complex in proportion, to say nothing of the vitamin E.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Is continual contact with aniline dye harmful?—Mrs. G. R.
Answer—No. The finished colors are harmless. It is only in the chemical manufacture of aniline dyes that harmful effects may occur—chiefly skin lesions, less commonly systemic poisoning by inhalation of fumes.

Mucus.
While agreeing with you for the most part I find that it is difficult to accept your conclusion that it is fallacy to say certain foods form mucus. Would appreciate your references for the assertion.—S. U. A.

Answer—No physiologist, physician or scientific authority imagines food ever forms mucus. That notion is a morbid fancy of the fake food specialists to catch the gullible suckers, the wiseacres—and it catches plenty.

Bowling.
I found a good bowling green here. After watching them play and rolling a few myself I wonder if they invited me because of my age. It seems a nice game for a weak myocardium, but as mine is still all right I believe I'll stick to golf and horseback riding.—A. M. J. M. D.

Answer—Every man to his taste. I give a golf course and a string of saddle horses for a season of lawn bowling on any good green.

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THE CAPITAL PARADE

By JOSEPH ALSOP and ROBERT KINTNER
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Washington, July 31.—Behind the senate opposition to the conscription bill, there is something much more unpleasant than the natural reluctance of politicians to face the facts in an election year. Speaking bluntly, there is the beginning of the same kind of movement to "appease" an onward marching Germany that has already destroyed every European democracy, and now bids fair to destroy the British empire itself.

The yammerings of men like Senator Bush D. Holt and Senator Robert H. Reynolds may, of course, be ignored. For the last four years, the senate has steadfastly refused to listen to Holt on any subject, on any occasion. As for Reynolds, he is the man who advised the United States to follow the safe example of Norway just one day before Oslo fell. But it is certainly time to be on guard when men of character and standing, such as Senator Burton K. Wheeler and Senator Robert A. Taft, show signs of readiness to participate in the new movement.

The signs are fairly clear, chiefly consisting in an apparently complete failure to grasp the nature of the situation which makes immediate conscription urgently necessary. The reason for the conscription bill is simple: In the opinion of the state, war and navy departments, some form of German assault on South America would follow close on the heels of the defeat of England. Military action would be required to repel such an assault, and the present force at the army's disposal are frightfully inadequate for the purpose.

Both Senator Wheeler and Senator Taft stoutly deny that they are appeasers. But the denial is no sooner out of their mouths, than they question the necessity to this country of defending the entire western hemisphere.

Neville Chamberlain lifted the fears of the British people, when about to accomplish his great triumph of

the end of the United States will be at hand.

This may appear to be an alarmist blue-print of disaster. Yet the course of events described is seriously considered as a direly obvious possibility by the men most competent to speak in the defense of the country. Senators, who do not take the trouble to inquire what the country's strategic situation may be, can afford bland complacency. But when you hear a brilliant officer say frankly, "Really, it would be easier for them than Norway," complacency tends to vanish rather rapidly.

AT THE
National Capitol
WITH
John W. Kelly
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Being a politician, Rufus made inquiries on "the situation." To his amazement he says he heard Mr. Roosevelt called worse things by Democrats than he has heard come from the lips of Republicans. Of course, these critical Democrats knew the senator is a Republican and has a vote and voice in the matter of spending government money in the land of Dixie; they have been trying to please the statesman from Oregon. Be that as may, Holman declares Mr. Roosevelt is heartily panned by southern Democrats, "but their private conversation is at variance with their public statements," he adds.

JOHN NANCE GARNER, vice-president of the national capital—after 30 years there he is through. Friends are now striving to cause him to change his mind, which is no easy task, for Cactus Jack can be stiff-necked. Senator Pat Harrison, Mississippi; Senator Jimmy Byrnes, South Carolina, and "Tamm" Connolly, Texas, have each written a letter to Garner begging him to come back.

Mr. Garner walked out because he is thoroughly disgusted with Mr. Roosevelt and the latter's tricky politics in "drafting" himself. Connolly is up for re-election this year and asked Garner to return, explaining that Garner's breach with the president would imperil Connolly's chances.

Harrison and Byrnes argued that unless Garner presides over the senate at the start of the session everyone will know that there is a break between the vice-president and the president, and that will not be good for the party. They wrote that after the party has been so good to Garner for a half century he owes it to the party to give at least a semblance of harmony with Mr. Roosevelt.

Whether Garner has replied to these three letters has not been revealed and this is the first printed statement that Byrnes, Harrison and Connolly are trying to patch up a very bad rift between the two highest officials. Should Garner return from Texas it will be only to help his friends and not to aid and comfort "That Man."

WASHINGTON Scene—Senator Carl Hayden is waiting for Senator Carl Hayden to make an appointment with Mr. Roosevelt when the need of military highways will be explained. Tanks being built would crush 99 percent of the bridges they attempted to cross and make hash of pavements.—G-2 (intelligence) of the war department has a long report by one of its trained aviation officers in which the assertion is made that England will not be conquered by the Germans and if an invasion attempted the Nazis will have the surprise of their lives.—The most intriguing feature of the lightning war according to army officers, is how Germans kept supplies moving wherever they were needed. That hasn't been figured out yet.

High army officers have continued Senator Holman that the army should be built up to full war strength.—When the comptroller of currency orders a check-up several hundred bank examiners are available. Some 300 seal the City Bank, New York, in 10 minutes. Chief examiner draws \$20,000 a year. The examiners and assistants are all high-grade men, but one who slipped in through political pull (he was a barber) resigned by request. The comptroller is Preston Delano, who for three years was connected with the Grants Pass municipal railroad and he still believes the road should be extended to Crescent City.

IRON CARRIERS HURRY TO AVOID DEADLINE
Portland, Ore., July 30.—(U.P.)—Three freighters loading in frantic haste to beat a deadline, learned yesterday the restrictions on export of scrap iron had been eased but it seemed doubtful that the concession would do them any good.

Assistant U. S. Customs Collector Fred Butler said that the July 31, midnight, limit on free export of scrap metal applied only to No. 1 grade.

HEARST'S SON SUED BY SOCIALITE WIFE
Los Angeles, July 31.—(U.P.)—George Randolph Hearst, son of Publisher William Randolph Hearst, was sued for separate maintenance today by his socialite wife, Lorena Hearst.

The complaint charged cruelty and asked \$500 a month for support.

The couple married June 25, 1933, at the Hearst ranch at San Simeon and separated January 10, 1936.

ATRESS WINS DIVORCE
Los Angeles, July 31.—(U.P.)—Florence Rice, actress daughter of Sports Writer Grantland Rice, won an interlocutory divorce decree today from her film actor husband, Robert W. Willcox, charging cruelty.

EX-BAR CHIEF DIES
New York, July 31.—(U.P.)—Earle Wood Evans, 67, former president of the American Bar association, died suddenly today at the conclusion of a meeting of the Santa Fe railroad board of directors, of which he was a member.

CHANGING U.S. F. TOO LATE TO CLASIFY AGE IS 1.30 P. M.

In The
Day's News

By Frank Jenkins
DETERMINED efforts (with obvious political motives) are being made to fasten upon Willkie the odium of being the candidate of business—big business, especially.

This writer, who doesn't know Willkie, has never seen him and has never heard him speak except once or twice over the radio, doesn't believe it. The personality he has been able to project to the public by means of pictures, the printed word and the air waves is distinctly not that of a one-class man.

If Willkie is the candidate of only one faction—and we will have three months in which to judge as to that—this writer will say without hesitation that we don't want him. This government, if it is to endure, must be a government for ALL the people.

It hasn't always been that way, we must admit. Big business for many years had the inside track. Following that, we have had years when big business (or any business, for that matter) has had little protection; has been harried and hazed. From the standpoint of the nation generally, this has been no better than too much government friendship for business.

Government, properly, should be an IMPARTIAL REFEREE.

THE most dangerous tendency in this country today is the tendency to look upon class government as desirable if it is OUR CLASS that is doing the governing.

That belief is utterly foreign to American ideals.

THERE are optimistic persons who believe it is going to be easy to elect Willkie.

IT ISN'T. It is going to be a HARD job.

He starts off with the handicap of the solid Democratic South. The South is politically frozen. (Politically frozen, it should be added here, because of an epochal political mistake; the mistake made by Lincoln's peanut successors, who chose carpet-bagging instead of statesmanship in dealing with the beaten South after the Civil War.)

The South doesn't vote in national political campaigns. It merely RATIFIES the CHOICE of Democratic national conventions.

And the South has an impressive block of electoral votes.

THE handicap of the politically frozen South is a considerable one. Then there is CAPITALIZED CLASS PREJUDICE—the carefully nurtured idea that unless the present administration is kept in power its beneficiaries will lose their privileges.

No, it isn't going to be easy to elect Willkie. It wasn't easy to force his nomination on the Republican politicians at Philadelphia.

But it can be done if those who have faith in him prove their faith by works.

Salem Centennial Starts Tomorrow
Salem, July 30.—(U.P.)—More than 3,000 performers will put the finishing touches tonight on the pageant that will be the highlight of Salem's five-day centennial celebration at the state fairgrounds.

The pageant, to be held four nights, beginning tomorrow, will be staged on a huge platform built for the occasion.

PATTERSON CONFIRMED AS WAR SECRETARY AIDE
Washington, July 31.—(U.P.)—The senate confirmed today the appointment of Judge Robert Porter Patterson, New York Republican, as assistant secretary of war.

Senator Sheppard (D-Tex.), chairman of the senate military committee, obtained unanimous consent for an arrangement to permit Patterson to be sworn in at once.

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THE steepest grade on a standard steam railroad in this country is 5.89 per cent, and is located on the Pennsylvania railroad at Madison, Ind., where the railroad ascends the Ohio river bank. The grade extends about 7,000 feet and the climb is approximately 400 feet.

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
July 31, 1930.
(It was Thursday.)
Local boy sitter in tree reaches 51-hour mark.
James Campbell opens modern dairy.
To date this season, 93,000 persons have registered at Crater lake.
Round-up of autists without 1930 license plates started.
Plenty of parking space assured for airport dedication next Monday. National guardsmen will be on duty.
Julius L. Meier urged to come out as independent candidate for governor.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
July 31, 1920.
(It was Friday.)
Murderer of Sheriff Th Taylor of Umatilla county caught and returned to Pendleton jail. Excitement runs high and lynching seems unavoidable.
Nominee Harding, in opening front porch campaign of Republicans declares: "The need is for a united America, and helping our own people."
Trigonite oil well now down 681 feet, and encountering lime shale rock and water.
Council warned city needs new fire department equipment without delay.
Wheat drops to the lowest price in 18 months.

EUGENE LEADS IN RETAIL INCREASE
Portland, July 31.—(U.P.)—The bureau of census reported today that Eugene's independent retailers showed greater sales gains during the first six months of 1940 than those of any other Oregon city.

Eugene's sales were 18.7 per cent over the six months period a year ago. The university city also led for the month of June, with a 23.9 per cent increase. Klamath Falls boosted its sales 18.8 per cent during the first six months to finish second, Salem, with a 13.9 boost, was third. Portland's gain was 6.6 per cent.

PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC BUTTE FALLS AUG. 8
Butte Falls, July 31.—(Sp.) Friendly Circle club is sponsoring a well-baby and pre-school clinic to be held in the Butte Falls high school Thursday, August 8 from 1 p. m. to 3:30 p. m. All children who are to enter school should attend so that if any defects are found they can be corrected.

The Jackson county health department will offer physical examinations at the clinic and free protection against smallpox and diphtheria.

This is the first of a series of regular clinics to be held here.

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