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Ye Smudge Pot

The army base pay for soldiers is \$21 per month, as now provided. This is baser than WPA. base pay for leaf raking.

Sen. Hiram Johnson of California, a Republican when convenient, is accused by the President of not being a liberal or Progressive democrat. Hiram retorts the President is using "the same old stiletto" on his political ribs.

"Ralph McPherson came to Roy Manly's Sunday evening and began to put on some of his money shins. Roy's dog grabbed him by the hind leg—I mean behind on the leg—and Ralph was good after that."

Two more mountain climbers have been rescued, after spending the night on a ledge 8000 ft. up. The more experienced "human flies" shin up the tallest building in town and take up a collection four times, before the scension. Thus they remain close to the fire department's extension ladders, the ambulance, the doctors, and the coroner. The type never get stranded all night on a third-story window ledge.

The Pendleton East Oregonian unearths a comment upon the Chicago convention that tells it all. It quotes, "The nomination of Roosevelt for a third term was a shotgun wedding, with the bridegroom holding the shotgun at his own back."

Milam L. (Mike) Jacobs, a former hi school yell leader of years ago, who originated the idea locally of making acrobatic leaps with a snow-white shirt-tail unfurled and fluttering, before the multitude, is back for a visit. He now lives at San Mateo, Cal., where he is a Coca Cola mogul.

THE CIRCLE "War begets poverty. Poverty begets peace. Peace begets plenty. Then riches increase. Riches bring pride. And pride is war's ground. War begets poverty. So goes the round." (Book of Knowledge rhyme).

Sen. Pepper of Florida, who has thrown many an oratorical fit in his day, in a senate speech brands Col. Lindbergh, once the idol of the nation, as "the chief of the fifth columnists in this country." This is a brutal and bitter charge. Sen. Pepper should throw himself in his own face to calm the vitriol boiling in his soul.

"Elderly lady wishes practical nurse, not under middle age. Trustworthy or religious." (Portland Spectator want ad finding). Something like ladies and gentlemen and lawyers.

"Get" is one of the basic words of the American language, according to an article from Chicago. "Get along," "Get Around," "Get Together" are quoted as samples. The Grandpa of all the Gets is not mentioned. It is "Get, while the Getting is Good."

The war term "franco-tireur" refers to a guerrilla fighter without legal standing under the laws of war, liable to execution on capture.

Beware of Over Confidence

NOW confidence is a good thing. But overconfidence isn't. And that overconfidence in evidence at Philadelphia, we regret to state, is still prevalent in the Republican ranks today.

In fact, at the present time we should say that this is one of the most serious obstacles to Republican success in the fall,—the feeling that it's all over but the shouting,—that this year F.D.R., no matter what is or isn't done, ISN'T going to win.

Now he may not, of course. But wishful thinking isn't going to beat him. IN fact President Roosevelt, as we see it, can only be beaten by the hardest kind of work, from now until the 5th of November. For he is not only by all odds the most skillful PRACTICAL politician in the country today, but he is unequalled as an experienced and resourceful campaigner.

EVEN more important, from the standpoint of practical results, however, are some of these important facts, seemingly forgotten by too many leaders of the G.O.P.:

Before Mr. Willie gets an electoral vote, his opponent will have over 100—probably 115—in the bag (the solid South). In addition, the greatest free-wheeling and efficient political machine ever constructed in this country, is that owned and controlled today by the Roosevelt administration.

In work-relief, farm-relief, and numerous other forms of relief the practical politicians in the Democratic party,—and there are several!—have a political leverage and practical vote-procuring mechanism the like of which has never been seen in the entire history of this,—or any other,—democracy.

Finally, the balance of political power in practically every state, is held in the larger cities. In the pivotal states like New York, Illinois, New Jersey, Missouri, these cities and their votes are in the control of Tammany-like machines, run by such dreamy-eyed idealists as Messrs. Haig-Kelly-Nash, et al., of Jersey City and Chicago!

They get out a winning vote,—or ELSE. SO one might go on, as to the head-start enjoyed by the Roosevelt ticket in this campaign, and the unavoidable handicap at the outset suffered by the Republican opposition.

Instead of the situation warranting over-confidence, it warrants precisely the reverse.

It calls, in fact, for a realization that Roosevelt, in spite of the third-term handicap,—and it is a real one,—starts out at the crack of the gun with literally millions of votes nailed down, sewed-up and sealed, which no one can take away from him.

THIS is no reason for a defeatist attitude. On the contrary, thanks to the fact the Republican party did not follow the prevailing psychology of the Philadelphia convention, but selected the strongest candidate that could be found, it has a good chance to win.

But the point we wish to make is that the best way in which to throw away that chance is to fail to throw off the feeling of over-confidence that in too many Republican quarters now prevails.

The Selective Draft

IF your motor car breaks down you don't go to a landscape architect to have it put in order.

Conversely if you want your lawn and shrubs rearranged more to your heart's desire, you don't consult the head mechanic in a garage.

In each case, and all down the line, you go to an expert in that particular department.

This is only efficiency and common sense.

BUT for some strange reason when war enters the picture, this should not be done,—at least not in the opinion of certain very articulate gentlemen.

When a nation fears war and therefore prepares for it, experts should not be consulted. Those who know most about war from actual experience should not be heard.

That would be yielding to militarism and disregarding one of democracy's most cherished traditions, the privilege of "muddling through" where the most serious and exacting of human activities is concerned.

In other words, the volunteer system of military preparation should be retained, and the selective draft should not be.

WHY? Don't ask us. We have searched the arguments of the opposition to a selective draft, and still fail to understand.

Under the volunteer system, the most inexperienced and the least informed determine the composition and disposition of our fighting forces,—i. e.: the individual citizen in approximately the twenties, for he decides whether he is or isn't best fitted for active service at the front in time of war. He also decides for what sort of service, if not active, he IS best fitted.

IN the days of the small professional army, that method wasn't so bad,—though it was never good.

But in this day of not armies but entire nations at war it is terrible,—and probably in any conflict between nations of equal strength would be fatal.

For it produces a fighting force, on air, land and sea, which is not based upon individual fitness, but individual desire,—imagine how long the U. S. Steel would endure if its working personnel was similarly selected.

No, if we must prepare for war,—and we must,—then let's not discard the procedure which has made us so successful in peace, but retain it.

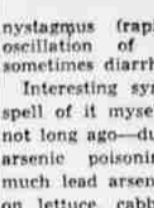
That means putting the matter of preparedness in the hands of those who know most about it and are best prepared to do it.

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.

QUININE FOR MENIERE'S DISEASE

Meniere's disease or syndrome (syn-drome, accented on first syllable, means group of symptoms that occur together) is the name by which we recognize characteristic spells of dizziness or vertigo, accompanied in many cases with nausea and vomiting, pallor, cold sweat, and sometimes headache. It is sometimes accompanied by nystagmus (rapid involuntary oscillation of the eyeballs), sometimes diarrhea.



Interesting syndrome. Had a spell of it myself one morning not long ago—due, I believe, to arsenic poisoning, from too much lead arsenite residue left on lettuce, cabbage and other green salad vegetables from spraying in a dry time. Had just rolled my morning somersaults—but don't try to make me admit that had anything to do with it—and was heading for, you know, the other room, when, whoops—honestly it was worse than any earthquake I have encountered. Had to lie flat, limbs sprawled wide, and hang onto the floor to keep from falling off into space. Only because I skipped breakfast—an unheard of thing at our house—did my first wife ring in a doctor. Out of consideration for my status as patient we did not discuss Meniere's disease, but that's my story and I'm going to stick to it.

There is no mystery about Meniere's syndrome—let's not call it a disease, for in reality it is no more a definite or specific disease than is the familiar combination of headache and malaise. In some instances physicians believe Meniere's syndrome is due to bleeding into the internal ear, the semicircular canals, two of which, in each ear, are vertical and at right angles to each other, one horizontal, are the seat of the sense of equilibrium and also of the sense by which one perceives from which direction a sound comes. Disturbance of the function of the canals to meet increasing demands. There is very little market for Grand Coulee power in its own area, and Grand Coulee will be generating energy before the acres to be reclaimed are ready for settlers.



WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 6.—The long discussed Columbia Valley Authority is again receiving attention and something may be done either at this session of congress or in the new session which begins January 3, 1941. The original idea was to combine Grand Coulee and Bonneville in a second Tennessee Valley Authority, with three directors who would be untrammelled and free to run the show without congressional interference, as is the case with TVA. That plan is "out."

Grand Coulee is a reclamation project, intended to irrigate 1,200,000 acres of the Columbia basin through power generated at the highest dam in the world. Bonneville is a navigation project with power incidental. The reclamation bureau of the department of the interior is in charge of Grand Coulee. The war department, via the army engineers, has charge of Bonneville dam and the generating of power, but the power is taken at the bus bar and handled by an administrator, Dr. Paul J. Bayler, who is, like the reclamation bureau, under Secretary of the Interior. Originally the administrator was independent.

So much for background. SENATOR Homer T. Bone, Washington, who is power-minded, is considering introducing a new bill, or an amendment to the Bonneville act, which would be a substitute for the proposed Columbia Valley Authority. He would place the Bonneville administrator in charge of all the power generated at the two government enterprises. As Grand Coulee is essentially for reclamation, Bone thinks the irrigation and the power at the gigantic project should be separated and the reclamation service confine itself to the canal, ditches and water for the 1,200,000 acres, and the power of Grand Coulee be turned over to the Bonneville administrator for disposal.

By this arrangement, explains Senator Bone, control over all the power of the two plants would be vested in one agency. This is logical, he maintains, inasmuch as transportation little concern Grand Coulee and Bonneville and the latter experts to draw on the former for power.

WASHINGTON SCENE—When President Roosevelt said he wanted 30,000 planes a year for national defense he did not say how many men would be required for this armada. Officials say that a war plane represents about 30 men, pilots, observers and ground crew. The 30,000 planes would require 1,800,000 men—a substantial army in itself.

Carltonments built during the world war were demolished, sewers and water supply torn up and sold for junk. "New" communities, as some offices, "billions of dollars" must be spent to replace them, but the American people would not have approved the spending of \$100 to keep them, thinking no large army would ever again be mobilized.

to meet increasing demands. There is very little market for Grand Coulee power in its own area, and Grand Coulee will be generating energy before the acres to be reclaimed are ready for settlers. SENATOR Bone and Senator McNary, who wrote the Bonneville organic act, have had at least one informal conference, what in diplomatic circles would be called "initial conversations". They are in accord to the extent that neither believes a trumvirate should be created to make a second TVA. It is the suggestion of Senator Bone that legislation may be offered at the current session, if there is no sign of adjustment before January 3. McNary says the Republicans do not want to adjourn because of the emergency, otherwise something could be prepared and introduced next January. PRIVATE industry cannot afford to train mechanics and the government will have to assume the task, officials are told by representatives of Oregon and Washington concerning defense contracts. In one Oregon plant where about 300 men are employed the average age of the mechanics is 30 years. Green hands, young men, can not be hired because it would tie up one machine for an apprentice and require the time of a \$1.10 an hour man to teach the train. Where there is keen competition, plants cannot afford to lose the use of a machine and also pay a high-priced mechanic to teach a green hand. This condition, it appears, is prevalent in other parts of the country, and private industry is not educating replacements for the mechanics who are growing older every day. One suggestion is to have this training directed and financed by the federal government under a nation-wide program, such as is called "non-combat service". The National Defense Advisory Commission has already discovered that shortage of skilled mechanics is one of the problems to be met, as this shortage is developing with the placing of orders for all sorts of material. The shortage will become more acute as production gets under way within a few months.

THE CAPITAL PARADE

By JOSEPH ALSOP and ROBERT KINTNER

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I am totally deaf in the left ear, presumably from injury in a fall from a tree when I was a kid—limb, bird's nest, eggs and all. The most annoying feature of my kind of deafness, next to the imbecile who shouts at you, is precisely the inability to perceive from what direction a sound comes, say when one among a group of people speaks to you or when some one on the street yells "Look out!" Still I do not believe my labyrinthine (nervous or internal ear) deafness had anything to do with my little bout, although in Meniere's syndrome there is usually such deafness in the corresponding ear and persistent tinnitus as well.

The great Prof. Charcot, famous French neurologist, recommended six grains of quinine, twice daily, at meal time, for fifteen days, as a remedy for Meniere's syndrome. After the fifteen days course the quinine should be discontinued for eight days, and then another fifteen days course taken. Four or five periods of such alternate or on-and-off quinine treatment generally resulted in cure, in the experience of Charcot. The head noises and the vertigo may seem aggravated at first, but this effect presently subsides and gratifying relief follows. Convenient way to take six grains of quinine twice daily for fifteen days would be in the form of two-grain capsules of quinine sulfate or two-grain tablets of quinine sulphate—three capsules or three tablets for each dose. The fifteen-days course would require 90 such tablets or capsules.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS Arthritis. Our thanks for your practical and understandable column. Husband had arthritis for years, many treatments with little result. Persuaded him to take the vitamin D treatment as you suggested. Benefit has been almost unbelievable—whole weeks go by without any sign of stiffness or pain. Our doctor was much interested and urged us to keep on with it. (K.M.W.) Answer—Thank you. Pamphlet on Arthritis gives details of the treatment. For copy send stamped envelope bearing your address. (Protected 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. HENRY Ford is the only important industrialist who has so far, refused cooperation to the commission. Orders totaling \$1,800,000,000 have been placed with comparative ease. The commission members realize, of course, that trouble may come when they start spending what Knudsen affectionately calls "my \$4,000,000,000." Knudsen uses the possessive phrase because he was the chief influence in persuading the president to go the whole way with the big appropriations request. It may be imagined that if trouble does arise, he will not hesitate long to deal with it firmly. The system of procurement by "legal priorities" is being kept in reserve, in fact, for just such an emergency. Under this system, the defense commission will simply assert the priority of war orders over private orders, without troubling to seek cooperation by negotiation. The experience of Bernard M. Baruch and Charles G. Dawes in the last war demonstrated that such a system cannot be operated merely in segments of the industrial structure. All of industry must be placed under fairly close scrutiny. Prices must be carefully watched, since the threat of an assertion of priority in every field makes for an inflationary rush to build up inventories of consumer goods. Generally speaking the commission chose to try the preference system because the other was too cumbersome and complex. It may be stated quite unequivocally, however, that the commission's choice was not dictated by any desire on the part of the president or the commission members to give industry or the public an easy time at the expense of the national defense. If the necessity arises, the legal priorities system will be resorted to at once.

JAPAN DEVELOPS TINY SUBMARINE

Rome, Aug. 6.—(U.P.)—The Japanese navy soon will put into operation a new kind of midget submarine built of a secret alloy, which is superior in many respects to standard-size submarines, the newspaper La Stampa of Turin said today.

The submarines, which have passed all tests, are armed with three torpedoes but although they are only 16 feet long and of 10 tons displacement, La Stampa added.

Capable of steaming 36 knots, the tiny craft also can submerge to a depth of more than 1,800 feet which, the newspaper said, is about 375 feet deeper than ordinary submarines may go safely.

FEW RESERVED SEATS AT McNARY CEREMONY

Portland, Aug. 6.—(P)—The only reserved seats at notification ceremonies for Senator Charles McNary, Republican vice-presidential nominee, at Salem, August 27, will be occupied by precinct committee men and women.

Kern Crandall, state committee chairman, said plans being worked out with Ralph H. Cake, national committeeman, would provide a large block of seats available only to those with official committee badges on a first-come, first-served basis.

Six presidents of the United States are buried in Virginia, five in New York, and four in Ohio.

In The Day's News

By Frank Jenkins

IN WASHINGTON a federal-state conference on law-enforcement problems arising out of the defense program is in session. It is designed to promote closer co-operation in guarding against spies, saboteurs and "fifth column" activities.

DEMAREE Bess, in an interesting and quite convincing article in the Saturday Evening Post, says the REAL DANGER to this country (which Hitler relies on to keep us from bothering him) is from native American demagogues who are seeking power for themselves regardless of the nation's welfare. This writer is inclined to agree with him.

CLASS hatreds, Bess says, are the raw material out of which revolution has been manufactured in Europe. Hitler's, Mussolini's and Stalin's dictator-governments are revolution on an immense scale.

More than any other one thing, capitalization of class hatreds, race hatreds, etc., has been responsible for Hitler's, Mussolini's and Stalin's successes.

CLASS hatreds, which arise out of the instinctive human suspicions that all of us feel for those who have more than we have, are as old as organized society. They existed, full-grown, in Jesus' time, as may be seen from His statement that "it is easier for the camel to pass through the eye of the needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of heaven."

Human nature being what it is, they are UNAVOIDABLE. THE dictionary defines a demagogue as "one who plays an insincere role in public life for the sake of gaining political influence or office; a poser in politics, especially one who panders to popular prejudice or seeks to inflame reasonless passions in the advancement of his PERSONAL interests."

The demagogue seeks invariably a SHORT CUT TO PERSONAL POWER. He is too shallow to understand the real problems of government for all the people and too lazy to do the hard work required to become a real leader.

For all such, capitalization of class hatred offers the easy way. IF in this generation there should be violent revolution in this country (which this writer is optimist enough to doubt) it will come as the result of capitalization of class hatred by demagogues who are seeking a short cut to power FOR THEMSELVES.

The demagogue, as Bess says, is the real fifth columnist we need to watch.

AUSTRALIA LOOKS TO U. S. FOR MATERIALS

Canberra, Australia, Aug. 6.—(U.P.)—Prime Minister R. G. Menzies said today that Australia was turning to the United States for vital war materials no longer obtainable from Great Britain.

Menzies said a member of the aircraft production commission now was in New York negotiating the purchase of raw materials and equipment and that the Australian government had been encouraged to believe the materials would be forthcoming.

Sleeping Sickness Attacks Horses

Hermiston, Ore., Aug. 6.—(P)—Sleeping sickness among horses has broken out on the west side of the Hermiston irrigation project, with about 30 animals ill and half of them already dead. A state veterinarian is here giving treatment and vaccinations. Little of the disease has been reported outside the irrigation district.

NAZI ENVOY TO PARIS IS ONCE-OUSTED ABETZ

Berlin, Aug. 6.—(P)—Adolf Hitler has appointed Otto Abetz, formerly of the Berlin foreign office, ambassador to Nazi-conquered France. Abetz, expelled from France in 1939 as an unwelcome Nazi agent, and whose wife is French, was given his walking papers by the government of former Premier Daladier, June 30, that year, following discovery of a widespread German espionage network.

Flight O' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY August 6, 1930 (It was Friday) Elmer Childers gets ready to raise ruins of old Pats theater.

Irrigation in Oregon for this year near end, as drought causes water to ebb fast.

Work on Pacific Highway south to coast between 1 p. m. and 4 a. m. to permit pear hauling. All packing plants to be in operation by end of week.

City council adopts new building code for city.

Hunters fear deer season will be delayed owing to drought conditions.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY August 6, 1920 (It was Wednesday) Oregon now has 75,044 privately owned autos, sufficient to take everybody in the state for a ride at the same time.

Babe Ruth hits his 40th and 41st homers of the season.

Russia's reply to Great Britain's demand she sign peace with Poland is mild.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Hagen and son Billy leave by auto for Portland.

Union church services to be held in City park Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oris Crawford are on a motoring trip through California.

Communications

Favors Selective Draft To the editor: We are appropriating billions of dollars to put this country in a state of impregnable defense. Millions will go into equipment of every kind, but for that equipment to be of any value we must have trained men to use it, and we haven't got them. Experience of the world war, and the statements of the general staff today, show very clearly that we cannot get them by voluntary enlistment in time to be ready. General Pershing pointed all this out very clearly in his address over the radio yesterday.

The only fair and efficient way of doing this is by selective draft. While all the details of the present bill, the Wadsworth bill, have not yet been settled, it is obvious that many of our people do not understand the meaning of this bill at all. It is not proposed by anybody to call out all men between 21 and 31 years, or whatever the age limit specified—probably not more than one in 25. These, as in the world war, will come out by lot, and then those men who have key positions in industry, those with dependents, etc., will be excused and another name will be drawn from the hat.

Sometime after the armistice in 1919, I had occasion to check the casualties in my regiment. That check revealed a remarkable fact. After the first phase of the Argonne, our division received replacements of about 25 percent to cover our losses. We then moved up to Belgium and engaged in two offensives there. The record shows that 80 percent, or more, of the casualties in that whole division occurred among this 25 percent of replacements, some of whom had never fired a rifle. And that was a year and a half after we had declared war!

I speak of this because it shows so clearly how costly it is to put troops into action that have not been properly trained. And I think it would be a criminal thing to delay the passage of the selective draft act, which is the only method by which we can obtain the men in time to meet a possible emergency in the event of a German victory over Europe.

Gordon Voorhies, Voorhies Crossing, Aug. 5.

Trio Die in Vain Rescue Attempt

Briston, N. H., Aug. 6.—(P)—Four men died in a gas-filled well today as they descended 50 feet, one by one, to aid each other.

Firemen, who tried unsuccessfully to revive the men, said they died from the fumes of a gasoline pump.

Alaskans Drown

Juneau, Alaska, Aug. 6.—(P)—Alvan Jones, 26, and Albert Chenard, 44, both of Juneau, drowned Sunday in Turner lake, 25 miles from here, when their small boat swamped while they were fishing.

POISON OAK?

Try a bottle of ZEMACOL. You must be satisfied or your money cheerfully refunded. Get a bottle today at WESTERN THRIFT.