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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.
Only 118 days till the only Fri. the 13th of this year.

Peoria Bill Gates is getting ready for his annual invasion of the Mid-West early in Sept.
Vern (Shotgun) Canon, the indefatigable young Democrat, announces that Wilkie is elected he will never laugh again.

The days are favorable for the Hob Deuel ice business, and when the taxpayers wake up in the middle of the night, it's cold enough to remind him he will have to see Hobias about a woodpile soon.

John Anderson of C. Pt. has sold his ranch, and plans to do some gadding.

Deke Buckingham was 60 years old Tues., causing the Salem Capital-Journal to remark playfully: "Deke used to be candy maker hereabouts, past exalted ruler of the Elks and otherwise a No. 1 citizen. His mind softened about 20 years ago and he moved to Medford." Deke retorts he don't know what made him stay so long in Salem the first time, and if he ever goes again, it will be with the sheriff.

School opens Sept. 9, and the kids will soon be getting pre-school haircuts.

J. Wesley Bates, the chin-wacker, reports his radio has worn him out. The radio says if J. Wesley had hung on another ten minutes, he would have won.

A little girl living on Peach street received a cat Fri. that came all the way from Nebraska by express, and both were glad to see each other.

Coaches of Old Oregon were here Tues. and shut their eyes when a bevy of 190 pt. athletes came up to shake hands.

Three councilmen were caught at the wrestling matches last Mon. night.

Picking and packing of the Bartletts is keeping pickers and packers on the well-known jump more so than usual.

The British announce they have a secret weapon more dangerous than a Model A hauling a row-boat behind, either direction on a mountain road.

J. W. Dressler of Los A., a former real estate and alderman here is visiting here.

One of the Rockefeller boys has gone to work for Uncle Sam for \$1 per year. If pinched, he can fall back on something besides his pay.

The Canadian thistles in the Lake Creek country are a record-breaking crop this year.

Klamath Falls is stewing over parking meters. The country folks will probably kick about dropping a nickel in a hitching post, when they come to town.

Miscellaneous
Portland, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Nearly 99 tons of canned goods were dumped into the Willamette river near Terminal 4 yesterday by a barbe that listed sharply as it was being pushed.

Parachutes Found
London, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Fifteen parachutes believed to have been released from a German plane were picked up today in the northeast coastal area. There was no evidence that they had been manned.

Mr. Wilkie Accepts

THE outstanding characteristics of Wendell Wilkie's acceptance speech were its simplicity, its candor and its refreshing originality.
If anyone doubted the nonpartisan and nonpolitical character of the Republican candidate, this non-declamatory and politically unorthodox address must have removed it.

As the "Gentleman from Indiana" remarked some weeks ago, when it comes to speeches "he rolls his own."
None of the time-honored cliches, and pompous generalities of the usual acceptance speech in this one. None of the moss-covered traditions of the grand "old army game," the first commandment of which is: "If you can't view the opposition with alarm, don't view it at all!"

MR. WILKIE not only expressed his respect for the President of the United States, his acknowledgement that the difficulties surrounding the position in the present critical state of the world are many; but he went out of his way to uphold the President where he believes him right, i.e.,—the principle of the selective draft; giving aid to the defenders of democracy against totalitarian aggression in Europe, extending assistance short of war to Great Britain, while a long list of the social and economic aims of the New Deal were frankly approved by this extraordinary G. O. P. nominee.

We are quite sure if former Senator Jim Watson of Indiana attended his fellow statesman's "coming out" party, the Old Guard veteran had some extremely uncomfortable moments, as he listened to what he could only regard as the rankest political heresy.

BUT that's Wendell Wilkie. He says what he believes and believes what he says. Where the New Deal administration is right he commends it. Where it is wrong he condemns it. He accepts ready-made and vote-catching policies or phrases from no one. He thinks things out for himself, he goes straight to the point, he "rolls his own."

THE speech certainly was not what could be called an eloquent one. Nor a great one,—but it did, in the judgment of this department, reveal an extremely honest, fearless and intensely sincere man, genuinely consecrated to what he regards as a sacred task,—the return of this country to fundamental democratic principles, and the unity of this country, and the continued progress and prosperity of this country upon the foundation of those principles.

HERE was no narrow partisan opposition to the Roosevelt administration, but an opposition based on principle.

Whatever the Democratic party may think of Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal, here was plainly a TRUE Democrat, who opposes not the aims, but the methods and spirit of the President and his program, and definitely and clearly shows precisely why he is in vigorous and uncompromising opposition.

IN this portion of the address, in fact, it seemed to us, the speaker rose to true greatness, as he did in the closing portions where, with impressive earnestness, he kicked every tradition of the orthodox party acceptance speech in the face, and instead singing the old partisan refrain of "vote for me and happy days are here again," he told his auditors the cold, hard truth:

"Before us there is no easy road. It is a road of hardship, of sacrifice, of service,—a road where we need be hard of muscle, clear of head, brave of heart,—a hard-working and a UNITED people!"

Yes, any candidate for the presidency who could sound a note like that in a routine acceptance speech, has a quality of true greatness about him.

It would be so much easier,—and cheaper,—just to "view with pride, point with alarm,"—ignore the fact that the democracies of the world are in peril as never before, that this country faces not only destructive forces from without, but from within, and that the task of maintaining peace with the world in flames, and restoring prosperity with a tax load that is literally back-breaking, is truly herculean in its proportions,—

Yes, that would have been the easy way, but Wendell Wilkie refused to take the easy way, and we repeat, thereby proved his greatness, his courage and his integrity.

THE big popular hit of the speech, of course, was the challenge to the President for a country-wide debate upon the outstanding issues of the campaign.

This was the fighting, partisan note the crowd had been waiting for and the first real, whole-hearted enthusiasm of the day burst out in all its glory.

WELL, why not? Abraham Lincoln had time to debate with Senator Douglas, why shouldn't the President, who asks that he be granted what no other American President has ever been granted,—a third term,—have time to debate with the opposition candidate?

This would be in accord with the democratic tradition, and we can think of no better way in which to clarify the complicated issues which confront this country in one of the most critical periods in its history.

Nevertheless, this department is going to be greatly surprised if this challenge is accepted. Mrs. Roosevelt wouldn't miss such an opportunity, but we think it about a hundred to one wager Franklin Delano Roosevelt will!

THE real kernel of the speech, however, was not contained in this challenge, but in that pledge that

if he is elected President, the war upon legitimate and honest business will cease, the arraying of class against class will end, and in the soundest tradition of genuine democracy, all classes, all races, all types will be persuaded to join together in united action to establish that material well-being and spiritual ascendancy which will make the "American way of life" not only secure, but the hope and the salvation of the civilized world!

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.

WHAT DID I TELL YOU?
Every summer at the height of the vacation season a flock of inquiries from readers turn up, most of them from individuals who want to lose a trifle or thirty pounds of slacker flesh any time between now and Sunday afternoon—no hurry about it, take our time, but be sure to attend to the matter when we get around to it. Perhaps ten per cent of these vacation time requests come from individuals who are on the skinny side and while they are packing for the trip to the country it occurs to them that it might brighten the attractions of the resort if they put on say ten or fifteen pounds flesh while waiting for the train, so to speak.



These are commendable aspirations, my dear children, and if it were possible to work the miracles by means of a pleasant letter or an encouraging pat on the back Ol' Doc Brady would even be late for the first game of bowls of an afternoon in order to comply with your request. But life is real, life is earnest, and again I say that ideally the time to reduce is generally five years before you have to "go on a diet". In other words, it is a great deal easier and more satisfactory in every respect to keep ten per cent superfluous flesh off than it is to get it off after you have toted it around for some time.

Mind, I do not bar such requests. Indeed I answer them as promptly as possible regardless of consequences. But just between ourselves I hope you will understand clearly that any regimen or any change in your way of living that you may adopt now, at my suggestion, will bring the implied result, if at all, only after some months of application. Certainly I have never given you the slightest hint that I can impart a magic secret method of "slenderizing" while you sleep. Life is real, life

is earnest. You can't have your cake and eat it too. Ditto to the skinnies. Frankly, tho, the skinny ones are more reasonable or sensible about it, as a rule. They are delighted and grateful if they can put on a bare five or ten pounds weight or, more to the point, an inch or two of circumference. They are happy to achieve this in the course of several months of endeavor. Whereas your average overnourished, underworked individual training for obesity scarcely bothers to report a loss of only five or ten pounds or a mere inch or two in girth.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Monographs on Health
Please inform us what pamphlets or monographs on health and hygiene you have available for readers. We have seen several of your monographs and we consider them invaluable to keep on file for reference when occasion arises. (S. A. L. Librarian).

Answer—The following are available. For any one, send stamped self-addressed envelope. If you ask for more than one, inclose 10c for each three you want—of course together with stamped 3c and addressed envelope.
Relief for Allergy: The Calcium Shortage; Hay Fever, Asthma; Beriberi; Quinine in Modern Medicine; Tinnitus and Deafness; Prostatic Obstruction; Bed Wetting; Iodine Ration; Iodine Poisoning; Home Sanitation; Tobacco Habit; Belly Breathing; Foot Itch; Why Have Headaches? Stuttering; Nail Biting and Thumb Sucking; Psoriasis; Eczema; Acne (Blackheads and Pimples); Care of Hair and Control of Dandruff; Hygiene for Girls; Leucorrhea; Tumor and Displacement; Menopause; How to Gain Weight; Pocket Emergency Kit; Arthritis; Varicose Veins and Ulcers; Herpes; Pruritus; Styes; Scalds; Hives; Sucking.

For remedy's sake if you can suggest a haven for piles do so. I am almost an invalid from the suffering (Mrs. R. T. L.)
Answer—Send a stamped envelope bearing your address and I'll give you the name of a physician skilled in ambulant treatment. It is painless and efficacious. Stupid to suffer with such trouble today. (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.



AT THE NATIONAL CAPITOL
Two districts in Oregon and four in Washington along the Columbia river submitted to Administrator Raver a proposal that RFC finance them as a combination and Raver laid the matter before officials in the national capital—after which nothing developed. However, the Puget Sound Power & Light Co. deal has White House connections, and a nod from the chief executive to his appointees on RFC is potent. It is not improbable that Puget Sound Power & Light may be merged with Seattle's municipal adventure in the power business, otherwise government financed utility districts would be competing with the municipal plant.

Portland, Ore., Aug. 17.—Another step in the new deal policy of running private industry out of business is disclosed in the announcement that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation will furnish funds with which 13 PUDs in Washington state can purchase the properties of the Puget Sound Power & Light Company, which had operating revenue of \$14,621,693 in 1939.

Official announcement by RFC in confirmation of the statement made by this column many months ago that the government was preparing to supply taxpayer money to PUDs to finance acquisition of utilities and thereby dispense with PUDs paying a commission to sell revenue securities and raise money by this method. If the Washington program is culminated similar financial aid can be expected for PUDs in Oregon. RFC has a long sack.

When and if this loan is made, the government will have as security a mortgage on the property and may, eventually, have to foreclose, install a receiver and operate the system in 19 counties which are within a radius of 150 miles of Seattle, and which also includes Seattle.

THOMAS GRAHAM CORCORAN (Tommy the Cork, White House Jester) was so occupied in entertaining the 1300 guests at Bohemian Grove that he neglected his mission to talk Louis Johnson into returning to the national capital and not walk out on Mr. Roosevelt during the campaign. Johnson was kicked out as assistant secretary of war by Henry L. Stimson, Republican secretary of that department. Miffed, Johnson flew to California, with Tommy taking the next plane.

Johnson is almost the only instance where a higher up official has been urged to stick with the administration after being ousted and has been offered a job "just as good."

Once in the heart of the redwoods, Tommy was furnished with a reception and he played in the various camps until the guests (80 percent being Republicans and probably 80 percent suffering from legislation the Cork drafted with Benny Cohen and lobbied through congress) forgot Johnson and even Herbert Hoover, for the Cork is an entertainer who would make good with a musical and single act in vaudeville. He made a bigger hit than Charlie McCarthy and Edgar Bergen, or even Bergen's other dummy, Ophelia, the

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Heads Washington Legion
Aberdeen, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Rudy Nichols, of Monroe, was elected commander of the Washington American Legion for next year, and Yakima was chosen 1941 convention city, as the twenty-second annual convocation came to a close in Aberdeen today.

old maid, Tommy topped John Charles Thomas, the only man who has transposed "The Star Spangled Banner" to a key enabling anyone to sing the national anthem.
Between selections on the stomach Steinway, Corcoran confided that January 1 he and Benny will pull up stakes in the national capital and open law offices in New York—whether the November election is win, lose or draw for the new deal. The Cork is smart; Bohemian Grove was full of prospective clients for a Wall Street lawyer and a little advertising helps bring business.
Unlike Raymond Moley, Corcoran will not write his memoirs of the new deal until the principal characters have passed into the beyond. Tommy is the youngest of the White House intimates and can afford to wait to make his confessions.



By Frank Jenkins
PROBABLY the most significant question that is being answered in Britain in these hectic days is this: Can air power ALONE win a war?

ELSEWHERE smashing attacks by motorized armored land forces have ACCOMPANIED the terrifying displays of German air might. In Britain, a stubborn, courageous people's power to resist must be paralyzed before it will be feasible to follow up with land attack. That creates a different situation.

DON'T believe much you will read for a few days. Accurate reporting of such a battle as is raging over Britain would be difficult even without the handicaps of censorship. When censorship and propaganda are added to the physical difficulties involved, accuracy becomes impossible.

If you will be patient, you will get in time a fairly dependable picture of what has happened. The British today are claiming a "secret" weapon—some kind of plane trap that is said to have entangled and wrecked at least one German bomber. British reports say it is "efficient and formidable."

It is quite possible that it is an American-invented device that trails wires from anti-aircraft shells which, when they explode, drop a small parachute that holds the wires temporarily in the air where they will foul the motors and wings of attacking planes. Brief notice of such a device was given in American newspapers several months ago. It sounds as if the British may be trying it out.

(German reports today refer to it sneeringly as nothing more than a silly plaything. The Germans, of course, fear the effect of reports of such a weapon on the morale of their flyers.)

THERE'S a hen on again in the Balkans. The Greek destroyers are bombed by "unknown" airplanes. (Officers of the Greek ships watched the planes through glasses and are said to have reported flatly to the Greek admiralty that they were Italian.)

The Turkish press says an Italian attack on Greece will bring Turkey into the war.

VIRGINIO Gayda, the Italian editor who is supposed to speak for Mussolini, says, the sinking of the Greek cruiser Helle on Thursday is a "British maneuver aimed at rupturing relations between Italy and Greece."

If you have been able to believe a lot of the propaganda tommyrot peddled since the war began, there is no reason why you shouldn't try to believe this.

NAB GANGSTER FOR HOLLYWOOD SLAYING

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THE CAPITAL PARADE
By JOSEPH ALSOP and ROBERT KINTNER
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congressional monopoly committee and who is noted for his attacks on business' price methods. He urged that the suits be postponed pending study of their effect on the defense commission's negotiations with the oil companies. He particularly urged study of the effect on obtaining new facilities.

His view, seconded by labor's representative, Sidney Hillman, carried unanimously. When Arnold learned of the defense commission's attitude and Henderson's heresy, he feared long postponement or abandonment of his beloved suits, and he blew up. In effect, he told the defense commission that it misjudged the oil business if it thought concessions were needed for cooperation in the defense program; he charged the commission with fostering price-fixing of the worst type and costing consumers at least \$75,000,000 a year. Arnold refused to delay the proceedings. However, Bob Jackson did not approve of Arnold's belligerence and overruled him to agree that the commission be given as much time for "study" as was needed. There was a brief rift between Jackson and Arnold which now appears to be patched up, but the feeling between Henderson and Arnold has not disappeared.

BOTH Arnold and Henderson advance their theories with great emphasis. Arnold is understood to believe that much of the trouble in France and England was caused by rigid prices. He argued that in emergency periods the government must function even more vigorously to prevent rigid price systems. He is naturally against postponing anti-trust suits, and instead advocates direct subsidies to essential defense industries. If industry should refuse to cooperate, he would invoke emergency laws to force coordination.

Henderson denies that he has abandoned his antipathy to price fixing and restrictive business practices. He makes the premise that the country's most important task is re-armament. And he urges that the anti-trust suits may conceivably prevent the development of the increased facilities which are vitally needed in the oil business. He believes the problem must be carefully studied. Henderson's view is shared by all members of the defense commission.

That is where the matter now rests. It may take several months for Henderson's staff to study the oil cases and decide whether they will interfere with national defense preparations. Even when a decision is made, it is a good bet that the president probably will have to inter-

Flight O' Time
Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.
TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
August 18, 1930
(It was Monday)
Mid-west drought areas pelted by heavy rains.

Electric smelter at Tolo to be in operation by first year.
Clara Bow in "Love Among the Millionaires" at the Craterian attracts big crowds.
Start picking Howells in local orchards.

Aimee McPherson and her mother battle, and mother emerges with a broken nose.
Democrats switch "smear campaign" from Secy Mellon to President Hoover.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
August 18, 1920
(It was Tuesday)
Owing to so many members being on vacations, the band concert in the city park is called off for tonight.

Georgia Minstrels to appear here next week.
Work to start soon on Crater Lake Highway between this city and Trail.

"Burning Daylight" at the Rialto; "The Great Secret" at the Liberty.

Tennessee becomes the 36th state to ratify the women's suffrage amendment.

French troops fire upon rioting Germans in Silesia.

MONDAY August 26th
HEADS UP!
Here Comes
MCA Presents
JAN GARBER and her ORCHESTRA IN PERSON
DANCING 9:30 to 1:30
Admission \$1.00 per person, plus tax
ORIENTAL GARDENS

Mr. & Mrs. Public:
We believe our admissions, especially with the Defense Tax added, have been going up to a point where they are working a hardship on our family trade, which has always been the foundation of show business.
EFFECTIVE TODAY... we are making the following changes in prices at the Craterian and Roxy Theatres and, with your help, feel that we can make it.
Craterian Theatre
Mats: Est. Price-25c, Tax 3c, Total-30c
Eves: Est. Price-35c, Tax 4c, Total-40c
Children 12 to 15-20c
Kiddies (under 12)-10c
Roxy Theatre
Mattines: (Sat. & Sun. Only) 50c no tax
Eves: Est. Price-25c, Tax 3c, Total-30c
Children 12 to 15-20c
Kiddies (under 12)-10c
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