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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.
The high school pigskin season opened throughout the state over the week-end...

H. W. Ligon and his beautiful and bossy wife called on Mrs. Katie Stewart on Sunday.

Only in America would a German Bund settlement be allowed in the same county as a major powder plant...

Honking geese wending their way southward, and want ads in the papers offering to swap a sedan for a milk cow...

FAIR ENOUGH
(Red Bluff (Calif.) News)
"BOYS TAKE NOTICE: One of the boys that broke into and robbed my residence was recognized by a neighbor..."

The boys are in the Armory now!

Republican congressmen are mad at Mr. Willkie, the party nominee, because of his independent attitude on public issues...

Oregonians are warned they must not attempt to make wine in their basements without a Treasury Department permit.

MR. ASHURST FOLDS BRAVELY
"Politics is a game for the Ashursts of Congress. According to the rules of the congressional game, for example, they may denounce each other bitterly on the floor..."

Unfortunately for Mr. Ashurst, the Democrats of Arizona now have decided to change their minds, too, and have nominated someone else for his seat.

Closing Time for This Late to Classified Ads is 1:30 p.m.

Who Is Abusing F. D. R.?

THE Democratic party is in default to the American people. After seven years of power it finds itself without solution for the major problems of unemployment, low national income, mounting internal debt, increasing direct and consumer taxation and restricted foreign markets.

YES, all partisanship aside, — Unemployment is still the most acute problem of the nation. No orderly or intelligent effort has yet been made to determine the facts with regard to its causes, its extent and cure.

As a nation we have not hesitated to create billions for relief of those who are unemployed, but we have neglected to take the necessary steps to reduce and end unemployment.

AT this time there are not enough jobs in private industry to go around. This is largely due, in our opinion, to the fact that LACK OF CONFIDENCE HAS STUNTED BUSINESS GROWTH AND EXPANSION.

We, therefore, demand that those in authority take whatever steps may be necessary to RESTORE BUSINESS CONFIDENCE. We urge that all government actions THAT TEND TO UNNECESSARILY DISCOURAGE BUSINESS EXPANSION CEASE and that a positive effort be made to ENCOURAGE GREATER INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY.

We have learned the lesson that when opportunities for profit diminish, opportunities for jobs likewise disappear.

NOW, unless all signs fail, this office will receive at least half a dozen protests tomorrow morning for showering more billingsgate and abuse upon the head of the President of the United States.

In fact the most striking feature of this campaign thus far has been the demonstrated INABILITY of the Third-Term Rooseveltophiles to TAKE it.

They can dish it out all right, smearing and damning Mr. Willkie as they did Herbert Hoover nine years ago. But let anyone suppose that Franklin Delano Roosevelt isn't the supreme incarnation of human perfection, entitled to occupy the White House just so long as he may desire to do so, —

And the "suggestor" is not only a victim of "in-senate hatred and malevolence" but is little better than a traitor to his country!

(And parenthetically this condition is the really dangerous one in this country at the present time. NOT Mr. Roosevelt's ambition to become a dictator, which we don't believe, but determination of his infatuated following to clothe him with a sacrosanct authority and an infallibility which might well make him one.)

WHEREUPON we come to the little Ethiopian in this particular woodpile!

For the opinions expressed above do not happen to be those of this newspaper at all, — nor those of Wendell Willkie, nor those of the Republican National Committee, nor, as far as that goes, those of any REPUBLICAN organizations or individuals, at all!

The first paragraph, indeed, is from the pen of Mr. John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers, — the labor organization that donated to the Roosevelt campaign four years ago, the largest sum ever given to any political party by any one organization in the history of this country.

And the second, — starting with, — "Unemployment is still the most acute domestic problem," — and ending with, — "We have learned the lesson that when opportunities for profit diminish, opportunities for jobs likewise disappear," —

— Is taken from the report of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor at its meeting in Miami, Florida, only 8 months ago!

IN other words, in this year of our Lord, 1940, both the head of the C. I. O. (who said what he did January 24th, 1940) and the official spokesman of the A. F. of L. publicly declared the Roosevelt administration in 7 years had failed to solve the problem it had promised to solve, and the problem that MUST BE SOLVED if this democracy is to endure, much less prepare itself for adequate and prompt defense against any foreign foe or combination of foes!

IF that was true in January of this year, will the most rabid idolator of the New Deal deny that it is essentially true TODAY? For certainly in the direction of unemployment, in the direction of restoring business confidence, in the direction of encouraging greater industrial activity (outside of such stimulus as war orders automatically give) this country FUNDAMENTALLY is certainly no better off than it was eight or nine months ago. And there is no reason to believe it will ever be if the SAME NATIONAL MANAGEMENT that has failed for seven long years is given "four years more."

AND this is no Big Business judgment. It is no partisan verdict from the Union League club. It is the CONSIDERED AND OFFICIAL JUDGMENT of organized labor, both conservative and radical, from Mexico to the Canadian border, and from San Pedro to Bangor Maine!!

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.

DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW

Nursemaid brought from Alabama reads, regularly attends services in her church, sings in choir. "Mar Jane, if you gets wet 'at hoase you is sure to catch cold," she admonishes her four-year-old charge. Mary Jane finally pauses to reassure Amarilla. "Marilla, I'm playing all by myself. You can't catch the crit'cept from someone who has it. So you needn't worry. Daddy and Mother know it is all right."

The child resumed playing with the hose and pool. The nursemaid shook her head in earnest disapproval. "Honey, I know I always catch cold if I get wet and don't take off the wet things right away." The problem remains precisely where it was before Amarilla and Mary Jane took it under consideration. Amarilla believes what she has been taught to believe. So does Mary Jane.

The encouraging aspect of it, to my mind, is that Mary Jane, at the age of four years, has no illusions about the nature and cause of the most widespread and preventable illness she is likely to encounter in her lifetime. So far she is infinitely safer than 99 out of 100 children of her age and social class or status.

One day when Mary Jane was three years old, her grand-aunt called at her home. Mary Jane had developed what might be some kind of respiratory infection. She looked in at the door of the room where her aunt sat, started to run to her as usual, suddenly caught herself and stopped in the doorway. "Auntie, better not kiss you. I'm better, 'cause I'm getting the crit'cept."

If only the adult population if the country, especially the health authorities and the rank and file of medical practitioners, had as sound and sensible a view of the matter as Mary Jane, what a tremendous amount of illness, surgery, time, money and unhappiness we could save.

Trouble is that the great majority have been educated as Amarilla was educated, and it is so hard to teach old dogs new tricks. This goes for the health



AT THE NATIONAL CAPITOL
Washington, D. C., Sept. 17. —Before Wendell Willkie started on his campaign tour which will land him in Oregon and Washington, he was given a heart to heart talk by the Republican leader of the house of representatives and the Republican leader in the senate.

Dr. Glenn Frank, educator, author and Republican political adviser, is killed in an automobile crash in Wisconsin. His son dies with him. Senator Lundeen was killed recently in an airplane crash in Virginia.

SENATE and House Republican leaders are in a better position to know the ins and outs of legislation than is the candidate, and before he takes a position on an important question he should at least know the reaction of Republicans in congress, Mr. Willkie was told.

THE conscription bill has been highly controversial. No one can say positively whether a vote for or against it helps or hurts a candidate. Henry Fountain Ashurst, senator for Arizona, is said to have been punished for voting against conscription. Others point out that Hiram Johnson of California also voted against conscription.

INDICATIVE of the seriousness with which the new deal regards the growing menace of the Willkie-McNary ticket was Mr. Roosevelt's dropping of his plan not to make political speeches. His talk to Dan Tobin's teamsters' union was a direct political bid for the labor vote.

Heretofore when Mr. Roosevelt wished to broadcast he was given the privilege without cost. Now, however, if he makes a political talk on the radio, the Republicans can and will demand the same amount of time gratis.

THERE are more Willkie than Roosevelt signs on automobiles. In a 7000-mile motor trip only three Roosevelt signs were encountered on cars, whereas in the presidential campaign four years ago Roosevelt banners and stickers on cars were found on almost three out of five cars met, and the other two had no signs.

WAR department officials have turned thumbs down on proposals for establishing munitions plants in the Pacific northwest. When asked what they would do if the Pacific coast were to be attacked and transportation to the east was interrupted so that munitions could not be shipped west, they shrug their shoulders. Complaints are coming from the Pacific northwest that the quartermaster department is not placing as many

Flight O' Time
Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.
TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
September 17, 1930.
Sen. McNary tells Grants Pass audience he has high hopes for the building of a harbor at Crescent City.

In The Day's News
By FRANK JENKINS
DR. GLENN FRANK, educator, author and Republican political adviser, is killed in an automobile crash in Wisconsin.

It is just as well to remember that HORSES ran away and killed people. In proportion to miles traveled, it is probable that more people were killed and injured in traffic accidents in the horse days than in these modern days of cars and planes.

WE read today of great battles and heavy loss of life. Since history began there have been great battles and heavy loss of life. When Attila the Hun (of whom it was said that the grass never grew again where his horses trod) swept westward across Europe, clear into what is now France, he was stopped in two great battles in which 150,000 men were killed on both sides.

SPEAKER WILLIAM B. BANKHEAD of Alabama dies in Washington of an internal hemorrhage after a stroke a week ago just as he was about to address a political gathering in Baltimore. He is the third speaker of the house of representatives to die in the seven years of the Roosevelt administration.

It is easy to draw wrong conclusions unless you are in possession of the whole picture. Think of that the next time you are tempted to criticize someone for something he has done. If you knew ALL THE FACTS you might not criticize. Tolerance (one of the more precious of the human virtues) is inclined to accompany wide and accurate knowledge. Intolerance and ignorance are inclined to go together.

A "SUICIDE SQUAD" in London, today's dispatches tell us, digs for four days and nights to remove a 1,000-pound delayed action German aerial bomb from the near vicinity of St. Paul's cathedral, — dropping it back twice into its 27-foot crater before finally removing it and exploding it harmlessly. The members of this suicide squad (as volunteers for such service are known in London) could not even guess at what moment the bomb would explode and blow them into eternity.

Pittsburgh — Dave Roberts laughed when an insurance company sent him a safe driving award. Although he's owned an automobile for 14 years, he has never driven it himself.

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THE CAPITAL PARADE
By JOSEPH ALSOP and ROBERT KINTNER
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is resigned to the state of affairs, his calm is not shared by others. And the Republican cloak-room comments on "that man," as Willkie is called, are as bitter as any directed at the president from the Democratic cloak-room.

THE question is often asked, "why doesn't Willkie visit and pay more attention to the Republicans in congress?" According to one of his advisers, the answer is a simple one. Willkie knows the situation as well as anyone else, but he figured there was nothing to do about it, until a short time ago. Soon after he was nominated, Willkie discovered that he and a great many Republican congressmen did not agree on current issues. And the more he talked with members of the house and senate the more he became involved in controversies.

THEN, too, Willkie was shocked by the reaction to his statement refusing the support of Father Charles E. Coughlin. Coughlin's magazine had announced for Willkie, and Willkie immediately disavowed the Coughlin priest on the belief that Coughlin had racial prejudices.