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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.

Italy, in its offensive against Egypt, splits a military hair, according to dispatches from Rome. The Italian advance is only war against the British in Egypt, but not against the Egyptians, high sources maintain. It is further stated Italy is attempting to avoid "formal war" with Egypt, while informally mulling over the landscape with impromptu devastation.

ADVICE TO DEER HUNTERS
(Siskiyou News)
If you have a 'sound' hunter in your party, and by this I mean one given to shooting at noises or movements in the brush, by all means leave him in camp. It is the only safe place for either him or other members of the party.

Germany claims to have a cannon that will shoot 90 miles against the wind. If the war hysteria keeps on, the weapon will be hurled steel across the Atlantic, which, with an election coming up, is only an unnamed creek to any invader of America.

The esteemed Pendleton East Oregonian, which has had a tough time maintaining the stalwartness of its Jeffersonian democracy since the Chicago convention atrocity, fearlessly straddles the volatility of presidential candidates, to-wit:

"WENDELL WILKIE talks too much about foreign affairs and President Roosevelt also is open to criticism for saying too much, now and then."

Dewey Hill, of the Prospect bridge playing set, while helping E. Ulrich and W. (Yay-Big) Dinkens fold up a bridge table, was severely bit on the right hand by the piece of furniture. The pain was worse than the time the wildcat scratched him.

The Armenian wrestler aggravates the cash customers so deeply some of them wish they had the pennies back they gave to keep his countrymen from starving in the days when they went to Sunday school.

Don't be surprised if the Older Girls are not voting to get their boys out of the training camps in time to eat Thanksgiving dinner at home.

"Charivaris are too noisy and dangerous. That is the opinion of the city council, which ordered the city marshal Monday night to see that charivaris are kept quiet and tame—or else." (Marysville Advocate-Journal)—It's been a long time since there was a social lynching on the Main Stem.

Sandlot Football
Fatal For Youth
Seattle, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Kenneth Elbert, 14, who died yesterday from injuries received in a sandlot football scrimmage 10 days ago, the coroner's office reported.

Coroner's deputies said the lad was kicked while playing, and later complained of abdominal pains which caused his hospitalization, with subsequent complications leading to his death.

That Blind Spot

THERE are very few honest-to-goodness INDEPENDENT newspapers in the country. Therefore, the newspaper reading public still has difficulty in understanding them.

Of the larger metropolitan papers, for example, the only genuinely independent one is the New York Times, in many ways also the greatest newspaper in the United States.

And it has been interesting to this department to note the communications to the editor of the Times, in this campaign, and the last.

They are almost identical in general character to those received from time to time at this "independent" office.

IN the past the Times has been more often Democratic than Republican. It enthusiastically supported Mr. Roosevelt for his first term, but hasn't been able to swallow him since 1936.

As a result in supporting Mr. Wilkie it is often accused of disloyalty.

As far as we have been able to observe, the Times has never taken the trouble to answer these accusations, editorially, which is no doubt good policy and good sense.

FOR, after all, it is an entirely emotional and unthinking reaction, which no denial, however logical, could dispel. Those who can't see there is no element of disloyalty in an independent non-partisan newspaper BEING independent and non-partisan, couldn't see the point of the most convincing argument, clearly explaining the paper's position.

But we have recently received a letter from a New York newspaper friend, which deals with this matter so clearly and has such a pointed local application that we quote it in part:

"Yes, the Times is getting its usual assortment of bricks from enraged Democrats, who curse out the New Deal between campaigns and fight to the death for it when party control is threatened. 'Disloyalty' is the most popular term. It is always puzzling and rather appalling how, in periods of political excitement, clear thinking is so difficult, in fact, so often impossible. It never seems to dawn on these birds that there is a higher loyalty than loyalty to a party label, and that is loyalty to principle, and loyalty to one's country—the belief, in this instance, that the best thing that could happen to his country would be the election of Wendell Wilkie on November 6th, and the retirement to private life of Franklin Delano Roosevelt!"

Another Idol Shattered

SPEAKING of loyalty to principle, we are amused by the latest broadcast from Mayor La Guardia of New York.

According to grapevine reports the "Little Flower" for many weeks sat where politically he loves to sit,—on the fence. He couldn't quite make up his mind whether to go New Deal or Republican this time,—he has (like this newspaper) been both.

But shortly after President Roosevelt named him as head of the U. S. delegation to Canada where he was received with great ceremony and pomp he traveled to R. C. A. headquarters, climbed up in the Philip Morris "high chair" and threw his ten-gallon verbal hat into the ring for Roosevelt.

Which was perfectly proper, of course, and entirely within his rights.

But we were amused at his reasons.

FIRST on the list he placed his dislike of political parties and machine politicians—pointing with pardonable pride to his record, as the enemy of both. We could better understand such a preface if the "Little Flower" had subsequently jumped into the Wilkie camp.

For Wendell Wilkie CERTAINLY is the least "POLITICAL" candidate ever to run for the presidency in the history of this country, and the most congenial and implacable foe of machine politics a presidential campaign has ever known.

(Great Pete, Wendell Wilkie is not only fighting the Roosevelt machine, he is fighting the G. O. P. machine in his own bailiwick!)

MOREOVER, not only is Franklin Delano Roosevelt the most adroit and resourceful "POLITICIAN" ever to occupy the White House, but the Democratic campaign manager this year is the most reactionary type of the machine-made "boss" ever to lead a great national party on the road to the White House.

This boss is Ed Flynn of the Bronx. And what makes the decision even more ironical, only a few years ago Mayor La Guardia not only fought the political machine Flynn represents, but by implication charged him with being a corruptor, no better than the notorious Boss Tweed,—than which in the most criminal and corrupt days of Tammany Hall there was none such!

AS a final straw, however, we have the non-partisan righteous and idealistic Mayor of Greater New York choosing his predecessor and the man he ran out of public life as a boodler, waster and all-around "rotter" as head of some make-shift labor committee, but whose real job will be to carry Manhattan for Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

This man is none other than ex-Mayor Jimmy Walker, and the Mayor authorizes Jimmy be paid \$20,000 per year, from the city treasury, for his political work!

"I have no use for politicans and machine politics, and therefore I am for a third term for Franklin Delano Roosevelt!" cries Fiorella La Guardia.

Ho hum,—no doubt any "little flower" by another name would smell as sweet!

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 number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

THE BUST DEVELOPER SWINDLE

It should interest young women particularly that, so far as present knowledge goes, no remedy, food, appliance, ointment or other outwardly applied agent will either reduce or increase local development or bring about any appreciable change in the size of the breasts or any other part of the body.



Massage, with or without electricity, heat, light or other electro-pneumatics, has no effect on the size of the breast. The explanation offered by Gloria Glib the Beauty Expert, that the high frequency current and the skillful massage breaks down the fat cells, so the fat can be pushed around somewhere else or rubbed away altogether is calculated to satisfy the mind of Dumb Dora only. The only drawback about it is that there are no fat cells. Fat is always in or between the normal tissue cells, whether it be the natural fat padding under the skin or superfluous deposit of fat; and, like fat in any other part of the body, it can be removed only by diet and exercise, regardless of what local treatment you choose to receive.

Neither general exercise nor special exercises can develop the bust. Whatever improvement in appearance exercise may bring—and a reasonable schedule of daily setting-up exercises to supplement walking and such active games or play as a young woman may be able to enjoy, usually does improve personal appearance—is due to improved posture, carriage, tone or resilience, features which make the difference between a slouch and an attractive figure.

Brassieres or other supports inevitably tend to make the breasts flabbier. As for "molding" the figure by such garments or harness, that is an absurd notion which passed with the wasp-waist corset. It is all right to resort to any artifice, brassieres, pads, artificial eyelashes, freak make-up if you are confident the fakery will make you more attractive or help you find happiness, but the less you rely on such tricks in private the

better for your personal appearance and your health. Recently a number of physicians have reported from various places at various times that active growth of the breasts may be produced by injecting 150,000 to 350,000 international units of estrone or of estradiol benzoate weekly, and some of these physicians assert positively that even the external application of the same estrogen in ointment to the skin. This method of treatment is unavailable to any other than a physician, and it is likely to be of value only in cases where the non-development of the breasts is associated with other signs or symptoms of functional inadequacy or deficiency in the endocrine or ductless gland system.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Still Another Remedy for Foot Itch. Cultured women with responsible government position had ringworm, athlete's foot, foot itch, or whatever you call it, between toes and on her hands as well. She placed pledgets of cotton soaked with lemon juice between toes, and this brought prompt relief and cure.—K. H.

Answer—Any way it can do no harm. The list of remedies favorably reported by our readers is a long one. Monograph on foot itch available on request if you inclose a stamped envelope bearing your address.

The Powerful Onion. I was once told by an old German druggist that onion juice was the best antiseptic, and I have read that Alexander the Great made soldiers eat an onion a day.—R. H.

Answer—Cabbage juice or potato juice or any other vegetable juice is as good an antiseptic. The myths about remedial value of onion, garlic, lettuce are harmless if you do not take them seriously. Still an onion, an apple, an apricot or an orange a day is wholesome food if you like it.

Styes. Please give a good home remedy for styes.—Mrs. C. S. G. Apply many folds of gauze (washed cheesecloth) kept wet with solution of teaspoonful of boric acid and in pint of hot water.

Don't. Please give your best advice for one who would like to lose about twenty pounds very quickly.—M. C. Answer—Don't try it. Unwise to reduce faster than two or three pounds a week. Instructions in 60-page "Rules for Reducing"—for which send twenty-five cents coin and stamped envelope bearing your address.

(Noted: 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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publicity, advertising and propaganda. The committee still exists, but apparently its members have not been called for consultation. The war department had been preparing for a wartime rather than a peace-time draft, and a great many old ideas have been rejected because of changed circumstances.

One of the most active opponents of using the "slacker" technique is Lowell Mellett, one of the president's leading advisers on publicity. Some time ago, high army officials conferred with Mellett and assured him that the many rumors concerning the department's publicity program were untrue. The army, it was said, had no disposition toward any plan except one of information.

As a matter of fact, the conscription forms have been purposefully so written as to make clear the rights of the individual draftee. While the fact was not well publicized, a great many army experts were eager to restrict registration to those between the ages of 21 and 31. And the army's original preparations were for a draft within those limits. As a result of the age increase, the national plan had to be revised completely. Then, too, most of the army experts are opposed to drafting any married men at this time.

Here again congress wrote a definition of "dependent" which limits the discretion of the department and the local boards. So that no assurances can be given that some married men will not be called.

THE new law is described as the first peace-time conscription in the country's history. As we envision a military draft, this is, of course, correct. But army officers point out that from 1792 until the Civil War there was a federal law compelling military training.



AT THE NATIONAL

Washington, D. C., Sept. 18.—Big orders are ahead for the lumber mills of Oregon and Washington. Several thousand members of the building trades will soon have jobs. A \$4,000,000 housing project contract is to be let for McChord field and Fort Lewis to shelter the conscript soldiers and national guardsmen of the Pacific northwest.

The project calls for 901 houses, which will be barracks, and all the various buildings required for a large concentration of troops. The project will be similar to the cantonments erected during the first world war. They will be semi-permanent structures.

The entire 901 buildings must be completed in 90 days from the date the contract is signed. This means the construction must be finished and the buildings ready for occupancy by troops in December—probably before Christmas. It is to be a rush job in every sense of the word, for the war department cannot delay in sheltering the troops in the midst of winter.

Contractors galore are haunting the quartermaster department in the national capital, anxious to be awarded this or other similar national defense jobs. Three of the largest general contracting firms in Oregon have combined to bid on the McChord-Fort Lewis job. They have filed a list of their equipment, a list of the various big construction jobs they have handled, and shown their financial resources.

PROCUREMENT of sufficient lumber of the right dimensions, in the limited time is being discussed. Inquiries have been made for 1300 carloads of lumber for cantonments in New England. This gives an idea of the amount of lumber required in the housing program. Requirements for New England can be multiplied several times. There is talk here that the mills of the northwest may find it necessary to go on a 24-hour operating basis to keep up with the demand. Also is the question as to whether there are enough logs in the river to keep the saws going. Anyway, the building program will provide an active market for the lumber industry for the next few months and will provide employment for many experienced millhands and lumberjacks.

Transportation of the lumber and other supplies to McChord field and Fort Lewis will require many freight cars, and this matter is receiving the thought of Ralph Budd, member of the national advisory defense commission in charge of transportation. It is said that the big mill operations cannot take care of the demand and that the smaller mills in the northwest will be called on to assist in filling orders.

Actual construction will require the services of an army of carpenters, plumbers, bricklayers and common labor. This organization must be assembled in jigtime by the contractors, for there will be heavy penalties for every day beyond 90 that the job is unfinished. Recruiting this army of workers will begin when the successful contractor is advised that he is the lucky bidder. The government is giving such notification prior to the actual signing of the contract.

ASHLAND FAVORS SHUTTLE SERVICE

Ashland, Sept. 18.—(Spl)—Two resolutions, both supporting the attempt of United Airlines to establish a shuttle service between Medford, Eugene and Salem, were being adopted here this week, slated to supplement similar resolutions passed in Medford and Grants Pass.

The Ashland chamber of commerce went on record favoring the proposal, as did the city council. United Airlines, according to word received here, will be given a hearing in Washington, D. C., this month to determine the feasibility of the plan.

ARMORY COMMITTEE NAMED IN ASHLAND

Ashland, Sept. 18.—(Spl)—The city of Ashland will take over the operation and management of the Ashland armory when Battery B leaves for camp. Mayor T. S. Wiley said today in selecting the management committee.

Chairman Frank J. Van Dyke, city attorney Commander Herb Moore of the American Legion, and President C. M. Litwiller of the chamber of commerce are the committee.

GUARDSMEN injured in service are entitled to the same pay and treatment as members of the regular army. This means hospitalization and such compensation, disability retirement pay or other benefits of the regular army man. When the guardsmen have been in service 15 days they will be entitled to buy government insurance up to \$10,000 and a private can continue this insurance after discharge by using his monthly pay for armory drill.

Trail route, that it appeared possible of early modernization at a low cost. The route includes only one mountain pass and has an easy grade throughout, with most of it in the forest boundaries. Since most of the funds for such work would come from the forest public roads service, it would not interfere with the modernization program of the Pacific highway north of Grants Pass, according to Mr. Green.

Mind you, we only said we are annoyed. We don't contend we regret having held back our section's claims on highway funds over the years until all of Ashland's claims could be met first. We can't regret it, because events are proving it was the thing to do.

With all of the state line-to-Ashland highway modernized, motor traffic will have at least a chance to come into Oregon through that very excellent gateway. Once in this general region we will have to take our chances on the bulk of the traffic moving through Grants Pass.

What we don't like is to have our chances lessened by Ashland turning around, once the state line sector is all contracted, and recommending that the route from Medford north via Trail, Tiller and Roseburg be improved so as to cut Grants Pass out of it for all traffic which might choose that route. And it isn't loss of the highway modernization program that worries us; it is loss of highway traffic, which is more important.

It didn't take Ashland long to forget, did it? And it wouldn't be asking too much to request that Ashland withdraw its recommendation for the Tiller-Trail cutoff, would it? We don't think that would be asking too much. Considering the past, and everything—Grants Pass Courier.

WE have a tradition of squirrel rifle militiamen assembling hastily and stopping disciplined troops. The defeat of Burgoyne and his redcoats is an American military classic, familiar to every school child. Jackson's defense of New Orleans is another. Keep this in mind:

These squirrel rifle volunteers had been efficiently trained in the hard school of wilderness warfare long before they were assembled at the hasty call of need. Defending their homes against the Indians took care of that. When called hurriedly to meet a disciplined enemy, these American frontiersmen were already VETERANS at the kind of warfare they were to take part in.

KEEP this also in mind: In that day, and under those conditions, the American squirrel rifle was the most efficient weapon yet devised by man—FAR MORE DEADLY in the hands of men skilled in its use than the muskets used by disciplined European troops. The American frontiersman was no raw recruit.

THE world has changed since then. America has changed along with it. We are no longer a nation of frontiersmen. We are a great industrial nation, a great agricultural nation, a shop-keeping nation. Preparedness against attack is no longer a part of our daily life.

War has changed. The American hunting rifle is no longer the world's deadliest weapon. War has become mechanized, along with industry. Its skills are SPECIAL skills, not possessed by everybody.

DON'T be misled by talk of the needlessness of conscription and military training, as evidenced by the deeds of the minute-men. Your son, if carefully trained, will be far more likely to live through a war, if war comes, than if called to the colors raw and untrained.

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DANCE TONIGHT
On the Right Side of the Tracks
At Townsend Hall
123 1/2 W. Main St.
Music by GAIL'S HARMONIZERS
The Young People's Dance
Ladies 15c Gents 15c

LOANS
—to buy, build, improve
HOMES
JACKSON COUNTY FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION
125 EAST MAIN

Flight O' Time
Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune 18 and 39 years ago.
TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
September 18, 1930.
(Et was Thursday.)
East side residents report a flock of pigeons bother them, and ask council to do something.
Pacific coast ad men open three-day session here.
Display of fall fashions to be made by merchants tonight. All lights will go out for a few moments, when blinds will be drawn from windows, and the show will be on.
Justice of the peace scores Saturday night dances and Sunday morning revels at Gold Hill. Youth is sent to county jail for inebriation.
Dave Wood outlines Bose pear campaign at Traffic Association meeting.
TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
September 18, 1920.
(Et was Saturday.)
Wall street bomb explosion laid to "American Anarchists" by New York police.
Charles E. Hughes, in New Jersey speech, attacks "indifference to expenses of Wilson regime and 'Article Ten' of the League of Nations.
Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion, leaves to spend year in federal prison for violation of the Mann act.
Football practice starts at the high school with 25 candidates out.
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