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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

Update republicans will hold a picnic next Sunday. There seems to be no justification for this roasting of wienies and democrats, except to rehearse for the distant day when a picnic will be more than an outer demonstration of an inner hope.

The government has ordered the resources of Germany and Italy "frozen." This is hitting the dictators in their most vital spot—the pocketbook.

The CIO has started a purge of Communists, and the orchard run of pestiferous radicals from its ranks. The ilk is charged with having much to do with the current outbreak of strikes and general hellraising in defense plants. There also seems to be a need for scattering of the same tribe packed thick around the federal pie-counter and public trough.

YOUR CORR. RARES UP (Grants Pass Bulletin)

Here comes another bunch of items for the editor's blue pencil. Since our entry into the correspondent's field (which is not the first time by a good deal), the expense of blue pencils must have trebled. Protect us—this issue is delivered Friday the 13th!

Military experts report the French forces in Syria are resisting the British just enough to prevent Berlin from suspecting collusion and cahootery. It will not be a whole-souled "all out" swoon like the one that greeted the Nazis just a year ago, give or take a couple of days.

The week-end ball games offered nothing in way of comfort to the fans, except the park fences stood up well under the bombardment of the foe, which at times sounded like a xylophone solo was underway.

The week of June 30th has been designated by the Governor as "Keep Oregon Green" week. This concerns only the scenery, and has nothing to do with approaching a fool notion with a ballot.

"NUDIST CHIEF RESENTS BARE CELL"—(Hillside Siskiyou News)—How does he feel about the naked truth?

WHY THE LADY SAID "NO!"

There will come a time in the life of almost every young man under the sound of my voice, when he will take the woman of his choice by the hand and he will go to some beautiful cottage, and say to her: "It is ours. Under the American form of government nobody can take it away from us, because under the Constitution of these United States no man can be deprived of his property except by due process of law. No President can take it, no Governor can take it, no body can take it unless he has a claim on it, and he must establish that claim before an impartial judge and 12 jurors, or else it will always be ours." (Cong. Record, being part of an commencement exercises speech)

Through the Mill

Livermore, Ia.—(AP)—Duke, a dog belonging to farmer Henry J. Kohlhaas, jumped on the platform of a binder. He went through the machine with the oats, was bound up neatly in the center of a bundle, and delivered from the other side without a scratch.

By October, American railroads expect to have 1,000 new locomotives, 375 steam and 625 electric and Diesel-electric, not in existence when the war began.

Editorial Correspondence

ED CORR.—Prineville, Oregon, June 14.—Here is a quaint little pioneer town and an attractive inn called the "Ochocho." Why aren't there MORE attractive "little inns" in Southern Oregon?

This is chiefly a lumber district with six mills in full-blast operation, thanks to the U. S. defense program. The man at the service station is attired like a cowboy,—something entirely new in our motoring experience. He reckons Prineville is "roughly speaking around 3000."

We have always known Eastern Oregon was interesting country, but this is our first motor trip through the John Day portion of it. Left Pendleton after lunch, and drew up before the "Ochocho" at 6:30,—the proprietor in shirt sleeves came out for our luggage and suggested we hustle, as the dining room closed promptly at half-past seven. (He made the announcement in a manner which left no doubt that it DID close then, and would keep open for NO ONE,—particularly on Saturday night.)

We wonder if Grant Wood has ever been in this John Day territory.—If not it would certainly be his dish. From Pendleton to John Day there are at least a thousand views from the highway which Mother Nature set up especially for this master of the contemporary landscape. At least so we thought, as we spun up hill and down dale, along almost a deserted highway.

What COLORS! The wheat fields,—they don't measure them by the acre but by the square mile in these parts,—are unbelievably chromatic. We didn't suppose so many shades of brown and yellow existed,—light, medium, dark,—with a deep purple at one extreme, and a lemon-yellow at the other. Some of the wheat is being cut and probably before another two weeks the harvest will be on in full blast.

Where there isn't wheat there are hay and dark brown rocks of grotesque shapes, also scores of "Table Rocks,"—and real husky, sweaty hay hands at work pitching the grass into the hay wagons, in other places piling it into stacks. Not so bad this sort of weather (around 75), but must have been terrible two days back when the mercury hit the century mark.

Also a sheep and cattle country, particularly the former. Half way between Pendleton and John Day we were held up half an hour trying to get through a band of sheep and lambs that literally packed the right of way from fence to fence, it seemed, half a mile at least. A couple of black-tanned sheep herders with long poles and red hats forced an opening or ye editor might still be there, hesitating about running over the silly, defenseless creatures.

They (the sheep) had just been sheared and looked terribly shabby and downcast. The lambs hadn't, and the way they bounded about when the approaching car alarmed them was something to arouse envy in a grasshopper's chest.

Speaking of grasshoppers, along one stretch of highway, the pavement was covered with what we took to be brown, big-winged grasshoppers, but the service station man at Mt. Vernon said they were locusts. Whatever they were,—the service station man may have been kidding a city slicker,—the pavement must have appealed to them as the candlelight does to the moth,—they swarmed over it and from both sides in spite of the fact their crushed fellows practically covered every sliver inch of it.

Speaking of pavement, only about half the route from Pendleton to Prineville was a hard-surface (oil macadam); the rest is gravel or plain dirt,—the latter far better than the former,—in fact the best stretch of smooth dirt road we have seen in the state.

One or two additional facts regarding the Pendleton air base situation:—

One thing the government did ask of Pendleton,—and we are informed does ask of every community, in which a large defense project is built,—that is, a recreational gathering place for the enlisted men,—an enlisted men's club so to speak. No army canteen or Y. M. C. A. hut is wanted. The army does want a place where the boys can gather, play cards, shoot pool, perhaps bowl in a desirable non-alcoholic and non-profit atmosphere. A local community, as OPPOSED to an ARMY atmosphere!

This problem has been solved temporarily in Pendleton by turning over a portion of the Junior High for such a club,—this will be available, of course, only during the summer vacation period. With true public spirit, various entertainments have been put on to raise money for the project, and citizens have also contributed individually such articles as chairs, reading lamps, davenport, card tables, rugs, etc., etc. The State Department of Education has provided a trained coordinator to take charge of the club for the summer period, and meanwhile a local committee is working on the problem of having a permanent place ready when the Junior High club has to be closed.

One group has suggested that dances be put on at this club once or twice a week, where the boys can meet the local girls under proper conditions and supervision,—as one citizen remarked, give the beer joints, road houses and night clubs some competition, and keep the lads off the streets and worse places. There has been some opposition to this proposal we are told; at least no definite decision has been reached to date,—but it impresses the present writer as an excellent idea.

As before stated, the air base police cooperate with the Pendleton police, making their city headquarters at the local police station. One surprising feature,—not only do the local police aid the base police, but vice versa,—the base police aid the local police whenever the need arises. In short, there is a fine spirit of coordination between the two, but to date, there has been no police problem, and the people of Pendleton expect none. As one citizen expressed it: "You must realize these air base lads are really the tops,—the cream of the crop."

Ever since the construction of the Pendleton air base started, prices have been rising slowly but surely. In some cases profiteering has been attempted, but the cases are isolated and that factor is not regarded as serious. Several business men, however, remarked about the desirability of some form of price control, but no one seemed to know any legal way to achieve it. Rents, we were told, have been kept down by the great number of residents who are renting rooms and even supplying meals to a couple or perhaps three or four "single men,"—most of the "landlords" entirely inexperienced at that sort of thing.

"There isn't a vacant house or an unoccupied room in the place," one citizen declared, "and the new houses are occupied even before some of them are completely finished."

The housing situation, however, is not at all serious, no unsightly shacks or trailer camps are to be seen, and as far as our brief survey is concerned, at least, we would say that the formation of that local housing corporation, with a capital of \$100,000, has done the trick. It looks as though that amount of money would not be needed, but it is there to be used when and if the need arises. Modern homes around the \$3,500 or \$4,000 level can be put up in a remarkably short time these days.

Well,—when one realizes what the public-spirited people of Pendleton have done, are doing today, and what they expect to do, solely because a defense project involving an influx of about 3000 men and about sixty air-bombers has been secured, it should not be difficult for the people of Medford to realize what they will have to do, when,—and if,—this local army cantonment is constructed, a project at least TEN TIMES AS GREAT!

As before stated in this department it is going to take the best ability, intelligence and resourcefulness our community can muster, and Medford hasn't gotten busy on the problem a second too soon!—R.W.R.

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.

ARE VITAMINS FATTENING?

Is your Iodin Ration fattening? asked one young woman who wanted to make sure of keeping her figure, regardless of considerations of health. Is cod liver oil fattening? inquired a mother whose young daughter has some "glands" (probably meaning lymph nodes or kernels) in the neck. The child seemed to be getting benefit from the fish liver oil but her mother didn't want the child to become too fat.

Is milk fattening? Are potatoes, bread, toast, crackers, salt, eggs, ham, steak, chops, bacon, oatmeal, nuts, popcorn, strawberries fattening? Sometimes a correspondent asks whether drinking water with meals, between meals or at other times to satisfy thirst is fattening. Common notions that this and that is fattening are little if any more substantial than similar fancies that certain foods or condiments are "reducing"; notably vinegar, lemon juice, pickles.

Some foods yield more calories per ounce, mouthful or pound than others, and only in that sense is one food more fattening than another. The fattening effect of any food depends on its caloric value and of course on the amount of the food consumed and the proportion of the nutritive material assimilated.

Potato yields, say, 440 calories per pound, whether the calories yield heat, energy, or reserve food stored as fat: bread yields 1400 calories per pound; macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, vermicelli each yield nearly the same, 1650 calories per pound; crackers yield about 1900 calories per pound; fresh sweet milk 325 calories per pint; buttermilk 165; skim milk 170; cream 910 calories per pint; cottage cheese 510 calories per pound; butter 3,600 calories per pound; oleomargarine 3,500 calories per pound; olive oil, 3,800 calories per pound; various shortening made from vegetable oils yield approximately the same number of calories as olive oil, butter, lard or oleomargarine.

Remember, every food that yields calories at all is more or less nourishing, strengthening.

If you have had an ulcer on my leg for several years. Sometimes it seems almost healed, but soon breaks out again. (M. A.) Answer—Send stamped envelope bearing your address and ask for pamphlet "Varicose Veins and Varicose Ulcers." Psoriasis Have you any copies of your recent articles on psoriasis? I'd like to hand some of them to my patients. (D. D. S.) Answer—Mailing you monograph on psoriasis which includes most of the material. Rum Blossom My nose is very red and very oily. It has enlarged pores. Friends say it is a "rummy's nose," although I am a teetotaler. (M. W.) Answer—Sop on nose each night for a week with lotion—a mixture of one dram of zinc sulfate, one dram of saturated potassium and four ounces of rose water. Shake it up and sop on nose with fingers, let dry on nose overnight. Discontinue for a while if any irritation occurs. Wash off in morning. After a week apply the white lotion only two or three nights a week. In some cases a few mild X-ray treatments by a physician skilled in such work will give the greatest benefit. Further details on the trouble (acne rosacea) and ordinary acne (pimples and blackheads and oily skin) in booklet "Save Your Skin"—for copy send 25 cents and stamped envelope bearing your address. (Protected by John P. Dille Co.)

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In The Day's News

By Frank Jenkins

SATURDAY. The war (so far as shooting is concerned) is more or less at a standstill. (For this particular day, that is.) At the moment, only the air forces appear to be active. In modern war, the airplanes are seldom idle.

GLANCE back over the war since its beginning. You will find it falling into a pattern something like this: A few days of violent fighting, with the Germans invariably on the offensive and so far invariably victorious. Then a lull.

In the lull the DIPLOMATS go into action. The diplomats use the terror inspired by German military might to wring from neutrals the concessions that Germany wants.

The choice they offer is to submit or TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES.

APPLY this pattern to the rumors of a German-Russian showdown that have been filling the air for days. You will find that it fits surprisingly.

Germany, facing American entrance into the war with consequent strengthening of the British blockade, wants what Russia has—oil, wheat, metals, raw materials of all sorts. To whatever extent she can obtain these necessities, the strangling effects of the blockade will be minimized.

If she can obtain supplies and materials in sufficient abundance, the blockade will be NULLIFIED.

THERE are two ways by which Germany can obtain from Russia what she wants: 1. By diplomatic dickering, backed up by threats.

2. By military conquest.

Welch, Okla.—(AP)—When the men of Welch were a little slow in pushing the civic cleanup project the women took over. They scooped up 13 big truck loads of trash, nearly all there was in town, and hauled it away. Collecting 25 cents from each household they paid off expenses and came out \$11 ahead.

Tilt-Top Hats New York.—(AP)—It's a radio age. Hat designer Sally Victor saw a new tilt-top radio-phonograph, was inspired to make a hat that could be tilted up for sports wear and down for dinner. She displayed it in her window and has had more than 2,000 requests.



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building Co., and this bidding for skilled labor would delay the program. So far as Admiral Land is concerned there will be no more shipyards on the Columbia, nor any wood shops—he thinks. When the demand for ships—anything that will float a cargo—becomes more pressing the admiral may change his views.

But the navy entertains different ideas. The navy has an expansive building program and will require a large fleet of small craft. War department, also, will shortly be in the market for harbor craft.

DREDGE "Columbia," built by the Port of Portland commission for about \$300,000 several years ago, has arrived at an island which may be Wake and is prepared to move millions of yards of coral reef. From the time the navy tug threw a hawser on the steel hull of the Columbia and headed into the west, the sea the navy is paying \$10,000 a month rental, the rental to apply on the purchase price if the navy desires. The dredger will play an essential part in the preparation of aviation bases at Guam, Wake, Midway and Johnson islands where stores of fuel oil, gasoline and other supplies must be provided.

On these island jobs are men engaged at Grants Pass, all of whom should return with plenty of money. Wages are good, but the men will not be paid regularly, or at all until they return to the states, because being coral islands (Guam excepted) and actually deserted islands until the China Clipper built stations on them, there is nothing they can spend money for. Contractors doing the work know that if the men were paid on a desert isle it would be only a short time until a couple of workmen with educated dice would have all the payroll. And that isn't going to happen. Wages will be banked for the men or their families. By a complicated system of bonuses and such the pay of the workmen will be unusually large.

SO far as the geological survey is concerned, the alleged tin find at Squaw butte between Burns and Bend, is a closed book. There was some excitement several months ago when tin was supposed to have been recovered from the old volcano and tin "buttons" were produced on the spot for the edification of the governor and other high officials. Judge Robert Duncan of Burns called the "find" to the attention of Senator McNary and McNary, knowing the shortage of tin in this country, requested the geological survey to investigate. Samples selected on the spot by a scientist of the survey were given every kind of test for tin known to the profession. The result was a blank. Dr. W. C. Mendenhall, chief of the survey, observes: "This supports the conclusion of the geologist who examined the claims in April and reported that they showed no evidence of being tin bearing." Squaw butte will be scratched off the list of government property having minerals.

If you will leave wishful thinking behind and look at the situation realistically, you will be pretty sure to come to the conclusion that Russia will bluff as long as she dares but in the end will SUBMIT.

DURING every moment since the war began, a poker game has been in progress. The game has become increasingly stiff. The bluffing has grown in scale.

Stalin is putting up as good a bluff as he can. But if you can see him calling Hitler's military hand you are an optimist indeed.

STALIN'S and Hitler's isn't the only game of bluff that is going on.

Jap Foreign Minister Matsuoka today (Saturday) telegraphs to Mussolini an endorsement of his recent declaration that "Japan will not remain indifferent in the face of AMERICAN aggression against the axis."

You will note that he doesn't say outright that if America goes to war with Germany and Italy, Japan will go to war with America. That isn't done in these days. Statesmen (Churchill excepted) prefer to speak with double tongues, so as to leave themselves free to double-cross whomever it seems most advantageous to run out on.

The bluff Matsuoka is running in his telegram to Il Duce is directed at us. What he wants us to believe is that if we get ourselves into it in the Atlantic we'll have to face something we won't like in the Pacific.

A Real Cleanup Welch, Okla.—(AP)—When the men of Welch were a little slow in pushing the civic cleanup project the women took over. They scooped up 13 big truck loads of trash, nearly all there was in town, and hauled it away. Collecting 25 cents from each household they paid off expenses and came out \$11 ahead.

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Close Shop London.—(AP)—Bomb shocks have taken a heavy toll in wine glasses and goblets in public houses, virtually irreparable, and some pubs have closed on account of it.

British Suspect German Feint At Russia to Cover Real Aim

(This daily feature, conducted by DeWitt MacKenzie, is being written in his absence on vacation by Fred Vanderschmidt.)

Tabloid interpretations of today's headlines: British attack in north Africa: This is practical application of Britain's new war plan, expounded only a week ago by Winston Churchill: "Fierce and stubborn resistance, even against heavy odds, even under exceptional difficulties and disadvantages." For two months the formidable axis forces have been astraddle the Egyptian border, completing every preparation for the assault on Suez, deterred only by the scrappy little Tobruk garrison inside their lines.

Now the British, reinforced by men and machines from East Africa, have attacked these axis concentrations in force, despite the blazing heat, despite the toll they knew the swarms of German dive bombers would be able to take. By doing so, they may be saving Suez.

British express fear German threat to Russia is a feint: This appears to reflect an attempt by the British leadership to dispel wishful thinking about a German-Russian conflict (incurable British habit) and to prevent any relaxation of preparedness and watchfulness at home. There is solid ground for expecting another German-Russian get-together, probably at Russia's expense. But it also is apparent that Germany is applying tremendous military pressure to Russia in an attempt to get a free hand in the wheat country of the Ukraine and perhaps the oil fields of the Caucasus, if not even more.

To the disillusionment of Russia, Hitler is proving again that no country on the borders of the third reich can in the long run maintain complete sovereignty, no matter how much friendship it offers. The pattern of Nazi-land's "friends" has always been the same: Infiltration by hordes of "specialists" from without; steady demoralization by fifth columnists and "Quislings" within. Stalin has resisted this process; indeed, he even has decorated the peasantry for thwarting stealthy violations of what is cautiously called "the western Russian border" by gentlemen with German names. These same peasants have not risen to the glorious task of growing wheat for the reich; indeed, they are reported this year to have eaten the grain distributed among them for spring sowing. How this sort of story must infuriate Adolf Hitler, who has all the rest of the European continent to feed, can be imagined with the greatest of ease.

Italy freezes U. S. credits as reprisal: This action by Italy, but not Germany, may well forecast a Hitlerian policy of pushing Italy out in front to do the blustering and take the risks in this era of dangerous and explosive relations between America and the Axis. The German reaction to Axis credit freezing by the United States is feeble so far, and German spokesmen are using the word "unjustified," which must be one of the weakest words in the Nazi vocabulary.

Probably the Germans are figuring that Washington will not be so tough with Italy as with Germany. At any rate, the Germans are playing safe and seeing, first, what happens as a result of Italy's action. It is likely, also, that freezing of American credits in Italy will bag more cash than it would in Germany: United States enterprise has had much tougher going in Germany for a long time.

Heavyweight fight—NBC-Blue 6:30 Bob Pastor vs. Buddy Scott.

Tuesday, war schedule: 4:00 NBC CBS, 4:55 NBC-Blue, 5:00 NBC-Red CBS, 6:00 NBC-Blue MBS, 7:00 MBS, 8:45 MBS, 9:45 NBC, 10 MBS, 11:55 CBS, 12:55 NBC-Blue, 1:00 MBS, 2:25 NBC-Red, 2:45 CBS NBC-Blue.

Some short waves: GSC GSD GSL London 2:45 news; HAT4 Budapest 4:30 concert and news; GSC GSD GSD London 6 democracy marches; DJD DDX Berlin 7:30 news.

A process has been developed for removing husks from grains of wheat by flotation, a method used in mining for separating values from their ores.

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TULARE LAKE FLOOD ENCOMPASSES MORE OF BASIN'S RANCHES

Corcoran, Calif., June 16.—(AP)—Rising slowly with the run-off of record Sierra snow packs, flood waters spilled out over more of the rich ranches today in the great basin of ancient Tulare lake.

Two hundred and twenty-five ranch families already have fled their homes to escape the water, which virtually covered the abandoned ranches, leaving only treetops and the roofs of buildings showing above the surface.

Levees started to give way last week when hot weather melted snow in the Sierra Nevada, 50 miles away, and sent the brimming Kern, Tule and Kings rivers out of their banks. The overflow was into the fertile ranching area that once was Tulare lake.

Two hundred and fifty ranchers worked around the clock to halt or at least delay the flood so that harvesting crews, sweating below the levees, could save a portion of the region's wheat crop.

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