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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

School opens tomorrow for the juvenile element. While the bells are singing Ding! Dong!, the kids will be cheerfully saying, Dang! Darn!

Dewey Hill, the Prospect hired man is building a new gas silo, across the road from the old one to keep it company.

The trees have started shedding their leaves, and fashionable males their seersucker suits. A sharp wind from the se, is needed to bring out the gals in their early furs.

A number of the more ardent hunters can hardly wait for the open of the deer season on Sept. 25, but they better, or the movement in the auto parked at the side of the road, might be a state police game warden.

The New Deal heavy thinkers reports there is a great scarcity in the land. They have not explained why a few years back, there was too much of everything, and now there is not enough of anything.

The hs. football team is up to Lake O. The Woods getting in condition, for the tough schedule by eating Jack Cummings's cooking. The head coach is dependent and blue, and predicts the Black Tornado will be a Pale Zephyr.

Len Carpenter of the orchard set had a brother from Massachusetts visiting him the past couple of weeks.

Most of the population is getting a good lesson in patience, waiting for their cantonment to come in.

S. (Farm-Fresh) Morris, the T-Rk tiller towed and traded Fri. and made his first threats to do some fall ploughing.

J. Wesley Bates, the tonsorialist was yanked lose from a wisdom tooth Wed. He stated it felt like the dentist was using a dull pair of forceps.

Some folks from Missouri are due today to visit Lorenzo Dow Fry of Phoenix whose birthday falls on the same day in March as H. Flewler, the demon baker.

A native who attended the state fair at Salem Wed. has come home, and says the horse race starters were slower than the horses after they got started.

The policy of waiting for the weeds on sidewalk curbs to cut themselves has again proven unfeasible, and will be tried again next year.

Peoria Bill Gates went to Ashland last week and indulged in some freedom of speech at a Forum. He took an oratorical fall out of the Darwinian theory of evolution, which holds Man sprang from a monkey. Unless Man changes his ways, and quits acting up, as of this date, no doubt exists as to where he will spring to.

G. Averill of the Butte Falls area was down last week, and announced he was ready for winter when she comes down the mt.

Some boys were caught going places on the top of a fast flying auto Thurs. eve. If this intrepidity keeps up, they'll be riding the rods of all popular makes of go-carts, ere long.

Closing time for Classified Ads 9 p. m.—Too Late to Classified 12:30 p. m.

Editorial Correspondence

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 5.—More "unusual weather,"—NOT raining in SEATTLE! (Ah there, Reg!) Not exactly "fair and warmer", but the sun peaks out from scattered clouds every now and then, and Mt. Rainier can be seen, occasionally.

On unexpected termination of "official business" and the old reporting instinct, came up here on the "midnight" from Portland to see the Soviet bombers, fresh in from Moscow.

Saw them, but that's all! Even the old press card, we printed many years ago in the Sun "job office" entitling the "bearer to all privileges of the press," failed to get us in BB-gun range. In fact judging by the guards thrown about by the U. S. navy, travelling Red aviators, don't care any more for freedom of the press, abroad than at home. (And that is about 30 degrees below zero!)

But we fared better than some of the Seattle newspaper lads,—they were shot at by a middy guard with an itching trigger finger, when the press boat went beyond some imaginary line. Quite a touch of war atmosphere, but silly business. If these Soviet aviators merely flew over to inspect U. S. plane manufacturing, why not treat them as the Britishers on a similar mission are treated? Or are there more U. S. Fascists gunning for "Reds" than U. S. Sinn Feiners gunning for Britishers?

They even took our field glasses, at the entrance to the navy yard, which perhaps accounted for the fact we were much impressed by the distant view of the huge sea planes without benefit of binoculars. We were about to claim the mystery of Russian air resistance had been explained when we were informed the two visiting flying craft had been made by the CONSOLIDATED AIRCRAFT CO. OF SAN DIEGO, commonly known as the P.B.Y.-5's, and are badly outmoded by the newer U. S. types.

The seaplanes were painted a dull dirty green, with huge single red stars on the fuselage, and guns sticking out of ship-shape little turrets did look formidable to this non-militaristic landlubber,—and that flight of 8000 miles over the Arctic circle to Seattle, with nearly 50 men was nothing to be sneezed at. But what's it all about?

Went back to the Olympic hotel for a late breakfast and as luck would have it ran into a bunch of the "Bolo" flyers coming out of a freight elevator,—the only professional flyers in the world we have ever seen who DON'T look smart. They did look strong and resourceful,—had we not known otherwise they might have been a football squad from O.S.C. in street garb,—whole-some, healthy, husky lads,—only they lacked the customary football animal spirits and self assurance. Awe an idea the first glimpse of the fabled U. S. plutocracy, have them a bit. The freight elevator of course was to keep them away from the public and the press.

The general belief here seems to be these 50 (47 to be exact) aviators are going to leave their old planes here and fly back a SQUADRON of heavy bombers, fresh from the assembly line with the latest armor protection and heaviest armament. That sounds reasonable, and might explain the unusual secrecy and mystery attending all their movements.

The taxi man enlightened us a bit,—(as Eleanor R. will testify taxi drivers are fine sources of cross-section public opinion)—by prophesying Uncle Sam will live to regret this hook-up with Soviet Russia.

"Wait and see" he cautioned grimly. "these communist guys will get our best planes and all our construction secrets and then with their 200 millions they will be using it against us one of these days, and we wish we had never seen the dopes. I ain't got any more use for them Russians than for the Germans, and, it was a sad day when they came into this war,—and mark my word for that!"

"Anything to beat Hitler," was our rejoinder. "Aw we could have licked him just as we licked the Kaiser without calling in any Red Russians, and now after Hitler is licked you'll have to lick Stalin,—that's my view of it and there are plenty who think the same,—I say let Stalin and Hitler fight it out and don't give help to EITHER of 'em,—the more they kill off the better!"

Well, perhaps that is another reason why the government authorities decided they wouldn't take any chances with this visiting delegation from Moscow. Some Nazi agent in this country might work upon a taxi driver of that type and persuade him that planting a pineapple in one of these Soviet planes would be a very patriotic act.

Another grapevine report from a newspaper man: the claim none of these Bolsheviks talk English is the bunk, three of them, including General M. Gromov, talk like natives with an Oxford accent. The "no talk English" was another dodge to hamstring the press.

R.W.R.

In The Day's News

By Frank Jenkins

HEADED for Washington, D. C.—Where all business people have to go sooner or later these days.

Oh, well. Our grandfathers had to go to the county seat every so often. In these modern days of good roads and fast cars, fast trains and lightning-fast planes, Washington is relatively not much farther than the county seat in grandfather's day.

STILL, it's something of a shock to realize that essentially Washington is becoming the county seat for all America.

If that isn't a sign of change, nothing could be.

DRIVING back. Probably a sap idea. (But sap ideas aren't TOO scarce in this country in these days.)

If you want to see the country and hear people talk and find out what's really going on in people's minds, you just about have to drive. The other ways are too fast.

You get from here to there without having time to listen.

HEADING for Reno, to hit highway 40. And then on

into 30—the quick way to get from one coast to the other—by road, that is.

From Stronghold to Canby road is unbelievably rough—30 miles is high speed. But one remembers that after much hard work the preliminaries have been arranged and soon a fine new highway will take the place of the present wheel-smashing holes.

From Canby on the road is as good as could be desired.

MONDAY night after a three-day holiday. The road is full of cars. Everybody heading home. Tired and probably broke. But ready to do it all over at the first opportunity.

That's America.

TWO smashed cars on a short afternoon's drive. One of them SMASHED—no half-way measures there. Hard to say what tragedies came out of it. The other just reasonably battered.

That's America, too—on a holiday.

But we must like it, for we go on doing it.

RENO. "The biggest little city in the world."

After all, don't turn up your nose at Reno. It represents one of the smartest selling jobs ever done. The mines are played out. The bonanza days of the cattle business are over.

So they took SIN and dressed it up and gave it oomph and glamor and capitalized it and made it pay.

TONIGHT, after a three-day holiday, the glamor is wearing a little ragged at the sleeves

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.

MAY WE HEDGE A BIT ON ACHROMOTRICHIA?

For years readers of this column who follow the health suggestions given here have been

reporting positively that taking an iodine ration has stopped the progress of achromotrichia and some of them declare that it has completely cured the trouble. Within the past three or four years a considerable

number of followers have reported similar results from supplementing their diet with vitamin B complex.

Achromotrichia is widespread in the North American continent and visitors from South America state that it occurs among all classes down there.

Fortunately achromotrichia is practically painless, after the first year or so. There is no denying that it is painful when you first discover you are coming down with it, but the pain moderates gradually as the malady becomes established.

A more familiar name for achromotrichia is canities, which should be pronounced k-nities but must be pronounced kanish-ee according to Webster, the a as in ask, accent on the nish, the i's short, the e long. While we're consulting Dr. Webster we may as well find out the meaning of achromotrichia: Absence of pigment in the hair, or loss of the natural color, as when the hair turns gray or white.

Some readers, casually noting allusions to this trouble here, have assumed that I say that the iodine ration or vitamin B complex or both will prevent hair from turning gray or restore natural color after the hair has turned gray. On the contrary I have always been skeptical of this, although I cannot help being impressed by the large number of correspondents who have assured me that one or the other or both of these foods have apparently brought back some of the original color to graying hair. Perhaps I am not so skeptical as I would be if either the iodine ration or vitamin B complex could do anybody any harm. But knowing that either or both can do no harm in any circumstance, or believing so,

and the press is going out of its pants. You have to put on your rose-colored glasses and work your imagination harder than it's really safe to do in these days of wages and hours if you're to get your money's worth out of Reno tonight.

If you're looking for thrills, you'd better come at the beginning of a three-day holiday, rather than at the end.

AND besides, it's a long road that lies ahead. So let's call it a day.

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

(Continued From Page One)

times, causing them to halt their forces for days, even when unopposed. The better success of the drive through the Ukraine may be explained by the fact it is the only one of the fronts convenient to Rumanian supply.

SEASON for light, intermittent rains has descended upon the central and northern fronts. The German communique Tuesday admitted, for the first time, fighting in mud. Heavy rains and sleet usually prevail from October 1 to mid-November. Then for about 30 days from mid-November to mid-December the ground is frozen and there is little snow. These 30 days are ideal for mechanized fighting, but thereafter real winter snows descend ordinarily, and operations are naturally limited.

The fighting is therefore not yet near its seasonal end.

THE administration is so depressed over the prospects that its price control legislation will be hedged extensively by congress, some talk of dropping the whole idea has developed. It seems to be getting down to a question of whether the price restrainer, Leon Henderson, really has taken more power now than he may get under a new law, after the inflationists and farm bloc gets through with it. He can't lose these positions (priorities, transportation, etc.) to make business take many effective steps now in a wholly unofficial manner.

THE severity of the senate committee tax bill will be slightly shaved on the floor, more in conference, so the final general form will be about halfway back to the milder house bill. All hope of raising two-thirds of the still swelling budget (now around \$22,000,000,000 for this fiscal year) in this bill has been abandoned. All agree to have another bill next year.

The senate committee tried to bring in the defense workers, making larger salaries now, by dropping the exemptions, but privately doubts are expressed that much money will be brought in. Many workers will be moving from factory to factory, within the year, and wholesale failures to file returns can hardly be avoided.

A DEFENSE official warned a business trade editors the shutting down of plants due to raw material shortages would become very serious in 30 to 60 days. Public repercussions are feared, which might have an influence on both defense and foreign policies, if allowed to run. Elaborate offsets are being planned by defense officials (special priorities for injured communities, special offers of new defense contracts to small manufacturers, more subcontracting, etc.) In view of the extraordinary advance attention which government has given the subject, the worst apprehensions should be avoided.

TOWNSEND MOVIES AT K.P. HALL 2 P.M.

Townsend Club No. 5 will present a visual education picture, showing the Townsend plan in operation as embodied in the Townsend bill H. R. 1036, for which a hearing is being sought at this session of congress. The picture will be shown at K. P. hall Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m., the public is cordially invited to attend—no charge.

On Sept. 19 Club No. 5 will hold its "Founders" day round-up party. Details will be announced later. The event will be staged at the K. of P. hall.

Kelly's Comment

From Washington

Savings Started On Wash. Tubs

Walla Walla Has Airport Trouble
Lumber Shipments Moving Faster

By John W. Kelly

(Note: During the absence of Mr. Kelly on vacation his daily column will be written by Mr. Paul Dunham, member of our Washington, D. C., staff.)

By Paul Dunham

Washington, D. C., Sept. 6.—The washing machine industry of the country consumes eight-hundredths of one percent of the steel capacity of the nation. To effect a saving of this small amount Leon Henderson has curtailed the manufacture of washing machines and the federal reserve has imposed regulations on installment buying which will reduce the sale of the remainder. The infinitesimal amount of steel normally consumed in this industry will be given to the Soviets in the form of tanks, etc.

Meanwhile the vacant lots of the northwest are filled with rusting automobiles with sufficient steel to make hundreds of washing machines. It is one of the quirks of the defense program. Industries are being directed to meet domestic as well as war requirements (plenty of rubber available for tires without increasing prices), and men are being thrown out of jobs because of this inability to obtain materials. The northwest is feeling and will feel the pinch of goods which are not luxuries but necessities. This entire situation is headed for a senatorial investigation, which will not be a whitewash.

TO date the government has failed to keep down inflation, as is well known in the distant states of the far west. Workers in industry are making more money than ever before and they insist on spending it for things which they could not afford in the past during the depression. The government is trying to place a ceiling upon consumer goods to prevent a rise in prices, but the prices continue to rise. It is the old law of supply and demand, and this can not be changed by statute. There are as many chickens being raised as ever, but more people can afford chicken and the price responds accordingly. This applies to clothing, shoes and everything else. The government has not yet found a way to compel people to save.

CIVIL Aeronautics is preparing to request congress for another few million dollars to carry on the construction of additional airports. About a dozen northwest towns have been tentatively selected for airfields, but until money is available CAA is refusing to particularize where the proposed fields will be situated. While CAA fields can be utilized by the army air corps, the flying soldiers wish to develop their own fields with runways about 4,000 feet in length, or up to 5,000. What CAA would like to have is \$100,000,000 and later another appropriation of similar size.

Walla Walla has an airport, but not what is desired by the army. Land was purchased and strips were bought for runways into wheat fields, it is said. As the army requires more room the Walla Walla people are trying to purchase the rest of the wheat field, but there is some hitch. Landing fields, formerly adequate for community needs, are no longer satisfactory for the larger planes, the medium bombers and the interceptors demand plenty of "sea room" and runways desired are a mile or more in length. This new requirement is a pain in the neck for half a dozen communities in the northwest, as acquiring additional land is becoming expensive.

SHORTAGE of coasters is aiding several army cantonments now under construction. Until the maritime commission diverted the coasters to other purposes the tidewater mills of the northwest used steamers and it required several months from the time the army placed an order for lumber until delivery was made. Now the order comes in and the lumber is placed on freight cars and shipped immediately and the material arrives in the south, where the cantonments are being planned, within two weeks. War department says that almost all the lumber being used at Panama canal in the new development there is shipped by steamer from the Douglas fir mills and after the steamer unloads in the canal zone it is sent to South America to bring back a cargo of raw materials for the stockpiles being accumulated. The trip requires 90 days.

On the west coast arrangements are going forward to utilize the strings of tank cars which have been idle on sidetracks on Puget sound, in Portland and California points. It costs more to transport oil in tank cars than in steam tankers, but if a pinch comes the cars will be used and, of course, prices will be upped as a result. Almost all of the tank cars are owned by oil companies and are not the property of the railroads. Tankers are, of course, owned by the oil companies.

GOVERNMENT officers crave acquiring Rock Island dam and power house on Columbia river, owned by the Puget Sound Power Light Co. The present dam has the foundations in for eight additional units, substantially increasing the power capacity, and with the predicted shortage, say the government and not the private company has the right to priorities to install the water-wheels.

Communications

More General Lears.

Cave Junction, Sept. 4. To the editor: A great deal is being said in regard to the morale of the army and of course sometimes mention is made of the public morale. It seems there is a wide difference of opinion in regard to this most important thing pertaining to our national defense.

As a former service man who has served in both our army and navy in peace time and war time I have, and I am sure that other veterans have, some different ideas in regard to the morale of the army.

Back in 1908 and '09 a soldier's pay was \$13 per month with an allowance of 144 cents per day for rations plus plenty of discipline. In my opinion what is needed most in the army, the country, and I might say, congress, is DISCIPLINE, with more men like General Benjamin Lear to hand it out. Discipline builds respect and respect is very essential to morale.

Very truly,
Elwood Hussey.

Eugene Officer Called

Portland, Sept. 6.—(AP)—First Lieut. Jack L. Hanks, Eugene, has been called to military service with the quartermaster corps at Fort Lewis.

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 7, 1931

(It was Monday)

Oregon products to feature fall opening displays of local merchants.

Nice fall weather prevails, with a high of 72 and a low of 50 degrees.

Oregon Reclamation Congress opens 22nd annual session at Elks temple.

Long dry spell is broken by wind and rain storm with snow on the high hills. In this city .89 of an inch falls. First snow falls at Crater lake.

Schools of city re-open with 2,312 enrolled.

Bob Hammond Jr., wins the third annual southern Oregon golf tournament defeating Dick Near of Eugene. Mrs. Dave Wood wins women's title.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

September 7, 1921

(It was Wednesday)

Trial of Dr. Brumfield, Roseburg dentist, charged with murder of hermit, and endeavored to make body appear as his own to collect insurance, set for October 5 at Roseburg. Change of venue denied.

Landowners of the Medford irrigation district to hold meeting tonight to consider irrigation district bond issue.

Search for Roy Gardner, mail bandit who escaped from McNeill Island prison, is unavailing. Public sympathy expressed for fugitive.

Fair weather with the mercury high at 85, low 42 degrees.

President Harding reports "nation is working its way out of welter of waste and extravagance" of democratic administration.

Ralph Hand to wrestle Thor Olsen at Gold Hill Friday night. Great interest shown, and many will attend from here.

Announcing to ladies of Medford a complete sales and service by the Nu-Bone Corset Company under the supervision of Elizabeth C. Hartley, graduate corsetier.

LOOK WHAT'S COOKIN' Today... For Three Big Days!

BING CROSBY

BOB HOPE

DOROTHY LAMOUR

"Looks like a cook's tour!"

"Yeah, we're the men who come to dinner!"

"Guess we're in the soup again!"

in Paramount's

"ROAD TO ZANZIBAR"

152 MORE LAUGHS (count 'em) THAN "ROAD TO SINGAPORE"

Complete Shows Today Start at 2:00-2:30-2:50-3:00

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25c Inc. 10c 10c