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YE SMUDGE POT

By Arthur Perry

The first sign of Christmas showed up yes. A two-year-old miss mistook a gentleman with white whiskers for Santa Claus.

Civilian defense workers will be given practical training in meeting all menacing situations, even though they are not connected with the war. In this state they can keep one eye on Japan, and the other on the threatened special session of the legislature.

Citizens have started confessing they voted for Roosevelt three times, but will not do it again, until they get a chance.

S. (Farm-Fresh) Morris, the T.R.K. tiller, who was in the hospital with pneumonia, is out and about, and feeling as good as pnu.

ALL OUT, IN & OVER
(Neodasha, Kas., Register)
"A fair sized crowd attended the defense meeting at Center school house last Saturday. We did not attend, but as I understand it they signed some sort of an agreement to try and raise a good crop this year. That is what I have been trying to do all the 54 years I have lived in Kansas and two or three times I have almost made it."

The world situation is not as bad as indications indicate. The armed hosts of Nazism and Communism are battling fiercely for the annihilation of each other, with the secret hope of millions it will be both. Secy. Ickes has been appointed dictator over hard fuels, including coal. The first time he orders John L. Lewis, CIO, nabob, to put some of the same in the stove, more fur will be flying. It is one of the few times in history, creation has had sufficient luck to have a quartet of major nuisances fervently destroying each other.

The public at large, which is considerably worked up over the possibilities of the nation going to war, is becoming decidedly weary of the administration's handling of the labor strike situation. The official kow-towing to union dictators like Mr. Milnettoast of the comies, while ferociously telling Finland what to do, is a pain in the neck to Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Public. They want them slapped back into their places, no matter how the 1942 congressional elections come out. With a rail, coal, and half a dozen other strikes pending to disrupt the defense program, they suspect the end of the week will see the Far Eastern situation so dark, nothing can be done about it. The time has come to look the strike racket, square in the eye, without any White House stalling, however charming.

ANCESTORS
"If resourcefulness is needed, think of Michael Rudolf. Who, accompanied by two henchmen and a coop of pullets, Took a British craft in the War of 1812
With gusto and a minimum exchange of bullets.
And if coolness is desired, consider Sarah Cope.
Who, opening a clothes press where a thief was hid,
Said in her Quaker fashion:
Friend, all honest folk
Should be in bed. I'll light thee out! And did."

—Providence Journal.

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

None So Blind ---!

None so blind as those who will not see!
Radical labor leaders of the type of John L. Lewis are just as stupidly blind today, as the Goulds, Vanderbilts and Fisks were over three-score years ago.
And unless this department is greatly mistaken they are riding to the same sort of fall.

FOR the people of this country won't stand for any sort of dictatorship, whether it represents capital or labor, Germany or Japan, white, yellow or black. This was born a free country and it is going to remain a free country,—and John L. better hurry up, put that in his pipe and smoke it!

FOR the rank and file of this country, are definitely on the point of losing their patience.
And when they do, John L., beetling brows and all, better look around for the nearest cyclone cellar.

It takes a lot to get them excited, but once in that frame of mind,—watch out, things are apt to break fast and it won't be the old gentleman with striped pants and chin-whiskers who will get broken either.

WE know the line. There is a pro-labor government in Washington, and this is the golden age for the working man.

Well, there was a pro-capital government at Washington, half a century ago, and that was the golden age for the slick promoter and the get-rich-quick business man.

And just as those old boys with dollar signs embroidered on their vests said "the public be damned!" so their spiritual legatees in the radical labor group, are saying the same thing today.

"What if there is a war on. What if this country and all democracy do stand in peril. So much more reason for putting on the pressure and getting ours while the getting is good!"

The old familiar cry, the familiar "give-me, give-me" doctrine.

And it is just as surely going to get what is coming to it in this day and age, as was the case 60 and 70 years ago.

BUT none so blind as those who will not see.

And unless all signs fail, John L. Lewis and ruthless, embittered, self-centered labor radicals like him, will not see, until the goose that laid the golden eggs for them so long, is nothing but a badly decomposed cadaver!

There is still time to wake up and prevent catastrophe, and at least one prominent labor leader is doing what he can to bring about such an awakening. This leader is William Green, President of the American Federation, who only a few weeks ago in Seattle, showed the way, when he declared that in a time of national peril like this, every selfish interest including that of union labor, should be subordinated to the public interest.

BUT to date there has been no indication that either his rival leaders, or the rank and file of his own organization, have taken that sound, patriotic pronouncement as anything more than a pious and empty gesture!

So let the dance go on for bigger and better pay checks, and less and less defense production!
It's another "dance macabre", but as usual, blind men fail to see the "skull and cross-bones" sign!

Writing on the Wall

YES, none so blind, as those who won't see,—the "WRITING on the wall!"

Take that vote of the Defense Mediation Board for example, with its clear-cut labor majority and yet,—

That Board so largely labor voted nine to two against the C.I.O. demand that complete unionization be introduced at once into the captive mines.—

Not being able to get their way, the C.I.O. delegates walked out, repudiating the principles of both peaceful mediation and majority rule.

SECOND, the declaration of Dean Morse of the University of Oregon Law School,—no better friend of organized labor in the entire northwest than Dean Morse!—condemning the railroad brotherhoods for refusing to accept the finding of the Board over which he presided and thereby repudiating the principles of peaceful mediation and judicial processes in labor differences.

As Dean Morse well said:

"The officials of the union and their lawyers admitted on the record of the case that they had had a fair and judicial hearing. If they go through with their threat of strike, they will sacrifice the judicial processes guaranteed to them by the railway labor act—which will be much more costly to the future interest of railway labor than the temporary financial benefits which they seek to gain through a strike.

"It is my judgment that a strike of railroad labor at this time will jeopardize the very high place it has up to now enjoyed in public esteem. I believe that the threat of a strike should be withdrawn immediately and railway labor should ask for a conference with the president, the carriers and the emergency board to the end of attempting to negotiate a settlement of differences by judicial processes, free from any coercive threat or economic force."

And finally that small but very significant item in the yesterday's wire report that two of the most powerful union leaders in the theatrical industry, William Bioff (an extraordinarily APPROPRIATE name that!) and George E. Browne, were fined \$20,000 each and sentenced to ten and eight years respectively in a federal penitentiary after being found guilty of extortion!

Better look at your hole card John L. The worm may not have turned completely over, but don't kid yourself,—it's STARTING!

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 OLD FOLKS SEEMED SO OLD

A lawyer asks how I account for the fact that our forebears of the last generation who never heard of vitamins, did not have dentistry done, did not have daily baths, in fact had none of the modern aids for health, nevertheless lived to an average of 90 years of age, and now with all the modern improvements and scientific advances people nearly all die at the average of 80 years of age or become incompetent and require the care of relatives, friends, or an institution?



In the same mail was a clipping telling of a "vitamin revolt"—a medical man described as "one of the best known clinicians in the country" again demonstrates his skill in getting publicity for himself by bursting forth with a characteristic outcry against the "vitamin craze," citing statements that a diagnosis of vitamin deficiency was made in only 111 cases in three years in a Massachusetts hospital, in only 170 cases in 10 years in a Maryland hospital, etc. One wonders how many cases of mild pellagra escaped recognition in the Maryland hospital in the course of the 10 years. Trouble with the big shots is that they haven't yet learned to recognize the early signs and symptoms of vitamin deficiency—they are still looking for full-fledged beri-beri, pellagra, scurvy, rickets—much as some old timers looked for advanced consumption and failed to recognize incipient tuberculosis when they saw it.

People with mild vitamin deficiencies, such as occur in this country, seldom enter hospitals for treatment anyway. A great many of them do not even consult physicians, but drift along, trying this and that remedy or treatment for what they imagine ails them.

The attorney arrived at his conclusion that our forebears attained the age of 90 years and people today live to only 80 years by the simple process of tracing several family histories.

Truth is that the average expectancy of life today is at birth about 66 years for females and 63 years for males.

Fifty or 60 years ago the average expectancy of life at birth was around 44 years.

Two years ago I wrote about deafness and head noises. You kindly sent your monograph on the subject. I followed the instructions and have been practically cured. Three friends who have been taking vitamin B complex and doing the facial exercises also experienced great improvement in hearing. (Miss T.)

Answer—Thank you. I am glad to mail a copy of pamphlet on Deafness and Tinnitus (head noises) to any reader who provides a stamped envelope bearing his address.

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Kelly's Comment

From Washington

Need More Men in Plane Plants

Material Supply Up in Summer

Sabotage Killing Many U. S. Airmen

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., Nov. 13.—Immediate long-range objective of the army air corps is to build 150,000 fighting airplanes, including, of course, innumerable medium and heavy bombers. This is on the basis of President Roosevelt's proposal of 50,000 planes a year, which will continue for at least three years (some pessimists predict 10 years). The president suggested 50,000 planes for this country, but since that announcement the lease-lend bill has been enacted and about two-thirds of current production is being given to the British, the Russians and the Chinese.

By January 1, the Boeing Aircraft company of Seattle has branches in Renton, Wichita, Kan., and British Columbia) will require 55,000 men to meet its obligations—and none of these are for Wichita or British Columbia. Today the Boeing plant is employing 25,000 and must, if its commitments are met, find 35,000 additional workers in about 60 days. The principal factories in California, those clustering around Los Angeles, have now 250,000 men working on government orders. One plant has 70,000 mechanics of all sorts. Rapidly as the west coast factories are being expanded, they have not attained their production peak; that will not occur for at least another 12 months.

When the emergency is over the big problem in Seattle, Los Angeles and San Diego will be what to do with the thousands of workers in these aircraft factories. It is estimated that 25 percent will be sufficient to provide for normal business. The shipyard workers at Tacoma and other Puget sound areas, at Portland, Astoria, Coos Bay will likewise be a problem, but only a few in the federal government are thinking of the post-war era.

NOT until next summer will the aluminum plants, government-owned, be producing pig aluminum for the bombers and interceptors. It will be later than that before a fabricating plant to manufacture sheet aluminum, forms and rods will be a going concern in the northwest (at least the one near Troutdale). The private companies at Longview and Vancouver will not be hitting on all cylinders until next mid-summer. Proposed magnesium plants, one scheduled for Spokane, another possibly at Tacoma, are from nine months to a year away. There is—and this may sound foolish—still a possibility of an ingot plant at Cascade Locks; there are some negotiations in the wind.

So much for the raw material for bombers and fighting planes to be produced in the Washington-Oregon area. The 50,000 planes the president spoke of are of the combat variety and do not include the trainers, of which many thousands must be built—possibly some from spruce and Douglas fir of the northwest, and there is at present a production of all sorts of aircraft, trainers and fighters, less than 2,000 a month, less than half the production demanded for the United States alone.

SENATOR McCarran of Nevada declares that more American aviators are being killed in crack-ups of army planes than with the Eagle squadron, the American unit with the RAF. This is attributed, in part, to the greenness of the fliers, their training in close formation, and to sabotage. There is more sabotage than the public suspects. Waste does not get into an oil tank and clog the lines by itself; it has to be placed there; important wires do not cut themselves.

FBI is now tracing a case of sabotage, which was discovered in a Portland sub-contractor's plant, to another sub-contractor plant in California. The Portland establishment assembles an emergency hand pump used on planes; the parts coming from other establishments. An army inspector examined a pump, found it did not work properly and would be useless in an emergency. The contraption was

taken apart and the bellows arrangement was found to have a piece of metal inserted which prevented proper functioning. Investigation revealed 150 of these tampered bellows.

MILITARY boards are still in the field studying locations for air corps groups. The strategy board proposes at least 25 new sites, which will cost many millions of dollars to establish. Two of the new bases will be placed in the northwest, and there will be a line of such bases extending from Everett, Wash., to Cheyenne, Wyo., and on into Kansas, and another line from McChord field and Pendleton to Boise and into Montana. The army is waiting until congress provides the funds, and until then officials say no one knows where a single new group will be sited.

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