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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Many ate so much turkey and

appurtenances thereto yesterday

the hash they are doomed to

devour the rest of the week.

It will taste better than it really is.

In the mythical 49th state

now being cooked up among

the frontier or border counties

of Oregon and California, in

the name of publicity, several

teeming wide places in the road

have already thrown their hats in

the ring for the governorship.

The first governor will be the civic

hot-shot writing the most letters

to the editors advocating the

secession. If there is a Jefferson

Davis Jones, prospecting back

in the hills, now is the time

for him to come out fighting

for the senatorial toga. The state

motto will be: We lift ourselves

by our own bootstraps.

COLD WEATHER DEPT.

(Cools Bay Times)

"The man at the next desk

who came in and remarked

that it was a 'chisely' day

today spoke more wisely than

he knew. We had just come

from chiseling the ice off our

windshield in order to come

to work, the wood dealer

having dumped a load of fir

in our driveway—we had

consumed two or three loads

earlier in the day Monday—

and friend Wife of course

having neglected to put it all

into the cellar."

The Vichy regime, headed by

old Petain, a life-long hater of

democracy, has removed Gen-

eral Weygand, the last link be-

tween France and her friends,

and left North Africa open to

"her hated conquerors, Ger-

many." ("Hated conquerors" is

a phrase for American consump-

tion only). There will be no

more American food, oil, and

medicine for France, no more

economic and financial aid. She

has been reduced to infamy by

her slimy politicians, and loves

it. France has her own foot on

her own neck, and is proud of it.

"The Grange minstrel show

Friday evening finally ended,

and the hall was cleared in a

jiffy, at the finish."—(Clear

Creek Items). Cause and effect.

ROMANCE AND CASH

This paper has had lots of

trouble as a result of publish-

ing delayed announcements of

marriages, especially when such

marriages take place in other

states.

Hereafter such announce-

ments will only be made in the

form of a paid advertisement

at our regular advertising rate,

## Serious Error in Timing

A very interesting and timely article is featured in the current Saturday Evening Post, though its timeliness, in view of the latest war developments, must be flavored with a certain reverse English.

The article is entitled "Put Up or Shut Up" by the well known traveler and war correspondent, Demaree Best, its main theme being the contention that as far as conducting any offensive war against Germany is concerned Britain is all washed up and is now waiting with considerable ill concealed impatience for the United States to win the war for her.

THE timeliness of the subject must be accepted with certain important reservations, however, for the very week the Post appeared, finds the British at long last launching a major offensive in Libya against the Germans and according to latest reports meeting with rather startling success.

It also appears, from no less reliable source than Prime Minister Churchill, that this offensive has been in careful preparation for over five months, in fact ever since Hitler marched against Russia.

SO in reality, the aforementioned time element, knocks the validity of the article's main thesis into a cocked hat.

This offensive in Libya may or may not be as successful as it now promises to be, BUT—

IT IS an offensive. IT IS conducted by Britain single handed with only U. S. material aid, and if successful it may result in one of decisive campaigns of the war, driving the Germans and Italians entirely out of North Africa.

Therefore, the article, interesting and timely as the subject is, must be embarrassing to Mr. Best, and a pain in the neck to the editors of the Post, for it is all wet as far as the main facts and the conclusions based upon them are concerned.

WHICH only brings into sharp relief again, one of the serious difficulties confronting all war commentators, who write for future rather than immediate publication,—that is the writers for magazines and weeklies rather than the daily press.

The tempo of this war is so rapid, the changes so sharp and so sudden that what may be entirely correct and safe one day, may be false and literary dynamite the next.

We trust an explanation from Mr. Best will be forthcoming, but by the time it appears in the Post, it may be as out of date if not as erroneous factually, as the original opus.

Therefore we would suggest that weeklies and monthly magazines keep out of the factual phases of the present war,—until the world situation has jelled a bit better, at least.

## Time to Face the Facts

There is one contention in the Best article, however, which is sound and of which this department heartily approves.

That is the conclusion that unless something very unexpected occurs, Hitler will never be beaten without an all out maximum naval, air and military effort by the United States.

And in all likelihood such an all out effort will necessitate sending another A.E.F. to Europe.

THAT has been the belief of this department for a long time and while we realize the idea is not a popular one, we have frequently called attention to it, because we believe that the time has come to stop kidding ourselves about this World War No. 2 and face the probable facts.

We say "probable facts" for no one can be absolutely CERTAIN of the future of course. Hitler might blow his brains out tomorrow morning and Germany collapse from within, in a fortnight.

But anything of this sort isn't likely. What is likely is Nazi control of all Europe, with the exception of England on the west and Ural Russia on the east, with Hitler and his Nazis on the defensive, but with their conquests pretty well consolidated and their armies strongly entrenched.

Who then is going to defeat Hitler, if not the United States? As we see it the answer is "no one."

And we feel the time has come for the people of the country to recognize this fact, instead of continuing to lull themselves into a sense of false security via the wishful thinking process.

WE grant this view may be a mistaken one,—we certainly hope it is. But the point we wish to make is this:

It is far better for this country,—or any other country,—in a critical world crisis of this sort, to prepare for the worst and get the best, than to prepare for the best and get the worst.

FAR better! And to continue operating on the assumption that Hitler can be beaten, if this country merely supplies the tools while other countries do the fighting, is to prepare for the best, and run a serious risk of meeting the worst.

No world power in the present serious state of world affairs, can, as we see it, longer afford to follow such a risky policy, and no government alive to its responsibilities and its duties of wise leadership, should longer encourage it!

The inmates of the United States institutions in the United States number approximately 564,000, according to the census. Of these 34 percent are males and 46 percent females. Occupants of prisons (not including county and city jails) are 161,000.

On the 6,096,799 farms of the United States there are 4,144,136 automobiles, according to the 1940 census. Percentage of farms having cars was 58.1, compared with 58 percent 10 years earlier. The average model was 1933.

## 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. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address: Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

## CONSTIPATION WITHOUT AUTOINTOXICATION

"It is impossible," wrote an eminent medical author twenty years ago, "to have constipation without intestinal auto-intoxication. The fact that the symptoms of toxemia do not occur in every case is no evidence that they are not present."



respect. They're present only when you can't see them.

Further pursuing his morbid theme the eminent medical gentleman hopped to another continent for support. "The South American Indian," he told the world, "poisons the points of his deadly arrows by dipping them into putrid flesh. Butchers as well as undertakers" (what, no cannibals?) "sometimes die as the result of a small cut made with a knife soiled by contact with a dead body" (maybe the butchers should be investigated). "The same poisons are produced when putrefaction takes place in the intestine."

The good doctor was carried away to South America and that yarn about dipping arrows in "putrid flesh" by his own imagination.

South American arrow poison is called curare (or worari or urari) and is derived from plants of the Strychnos species. It is so slowly absorbed if taken internally that it has no ill effect—probably it is destroyed in the liver if absorbed at all. It must be injected under the skin or into a vein to produce poisoning. So if, as the doctor so romantically described, the same poison is produced when putrefaction takes place in the intestine, who cares?

I cite this bit of pretentious "health" literature to indicate the unsubstantial basis for the whole morbid conception of "auto-intoxication" or poisoning of the body by products of putrefaction in the intestine. It seems fair to call attention here again to the physiological fact that putrefaction is a normal process in the intestine and there is nothing you can or should do about it.

"I take issue with all the authorities who prescribe liquid petrolatum day after day and month after month" (for certain intestinal or rectal troubles) said one specialist in a panel discussion of the subject at the recent session of the American Medical Association in Cleve-

land. Another specialist asked, "What substitute do you suggest for liquid petrolatum?" The first specialist answered, "There is none. I don't know of a good laxative."

Neither do I. And as always I plunge in with my chin out and my guard down and add that I don't know of a good reason for prescribing or using laxatives.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS  
Terpin Hydrate  
In an article on winter cough you mentioned capsules of terpin hydrate. What do these capsules contain? Are they harmless?—M.T.O.

Answer—Terpin hydrate is a crystalline derivative of oil of turpentine. Two grains in capsule twice a day after food is harmless to take as an expectorant in chronic bronchitis. Often two or three drops of pure oil of turpentine (not orange spirits of turpentine used by painters) on a little sugar or in a capsule twice daily after food, will give the same relief for chronic winter cough.

Sulfanilamide  
Would the fact that a pilot was taking sulfanilamide or sulfathiazole have any bearing on an unexplained loss of control of his ship?—P. W.

Answer—Well, a locomotive engineer who was taking sulfanilamide thus described an accident: "I was looking out, feeling that I was alert. Actually I was not on the job with all my faculties. I passed inland marks customarily observed to locate position without seeing them, even to the station board. . . . Competent physicians prescribing drugs of that class caution patients to remain at home and at rest until four or five days after the drug has been discontinued, and particularly against driving a car, making any important decision or signing important papers—because it is known that such drugs are likely to impair judgment for a while."

Foolish Habit  
I guess I just don't understand your language. You speak frequently of "constipation habit." Since you yourself say that the control of the bowel is not voluntary or under the will, how can there be such a "habit"?—F. W. S.

Answer—A justifiable criticism. I should say the interference habit. Send stamped envelope bearing your address and inclose ten cents for booklet "The Constipation Habit and Colon Hygiene."

Silvery Scale Disease  
My poultry of fourteen years standing cleared up in about five weeks on the high vitamin treatment suggested in your pamphlet. For the first time in my life it has not reappeared in more than six months. Always before it would come back after a brief period of improvement.—B. G. F.

Answer—Thank you. Glad to mail pamphlet on poorness "The Silvery Scale Disease" to any correspondent who provides a stamped envelope bearing his address.

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administration leaders have been telling the boys F.D.R. is biding his time in preparation for legislation. They have been led to believe it will be restricted to a new provision for a secret vote on strikes by workers, a cooling-off period. Certainly it would apply only to the defense industries and be limited to this emergency period. It will not abrogate the Wagner act.

Mr. Roosevelt's cautious policy is apparently designed to prove conclusively that Lewis is actually, (not just theoretically) damaging defense, and must be stopped. The popular pressure, thus engendered increasingly as his each negotiating step fails, will clear the way for easier action. The White House needs support of labor as a whole for any action taken.

BRITISH private excuses for doing nothing in Libya up to now are that Turkey was weakening and the Libyan front was technically dangerous.

It is true Turkey was shivering. A press mouthpiece of the Turkish government recently said the Turks are really Europeans not Asiatics and their interests are tied with Europe.

Nazi Ambassador Von Papen in Turkey is speaking in favor of Turkey in a suspicious tone of voice.

The next serious blow to the allied cause might come diplomatically on the unguarded Ankara front where Hitler is trying to get Turkish acquiescence for a Nazi land attack on Batum. Der Fuehrer could then pounce directly in upon the Russian oil fields and take the Caucasus from the rear. He also wants access through the Dardanelles for his subs.

True it is, also, aggressors in Libya (both British and Italian) have suffered from the necessity of leaving their flank exposed in the desert. In both the previous British advance and the Nazi-Italian drive, this defect proved critical.

FIRST rule for success in congress is: "Never stick your neck out if you can avoid it." A majority in both houses has been employing that principle to the John L. Lewis and the defense strike situations and the

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## Kelly's Comment

From Washington

Ickes Reaching

For Diamond Lake

Contract Drawn

For Camp Juice

Alaska Defense

Takes Huge Sum

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., Nov. 21.—Secretary Ickes is feeling around to see if he can take Diamond lake from the forest service and include it in Crater lake national park. Opposition has started already, for it is suspected he wants to do as he did on the Olympic peninsula and withdraw acres of timber and gradually reduce the national forests and expand the area of national parks.

BY July 1, next, Administrator Raver advised the appropriations committee of the house, he expects to be disposing of 35,000 kilowatts to a magnesium industry at Spokane. Magnesium is now so scarce that OPM has issued orders for an immediate collection of scraps. In November, 1942, Dr. Raver said he will be delivering 15,000 kilowatts to the Bellingham iron works (contract pending) and in December, 1942, a service of 2,000 kilowatts to Olympic Mines, Tacoma (contract also pending). Next January he hopes to be selling 2,500 kilowatts to Yakima.

There is a contract pending for 10,000 kilowatts for the army cantonment at Corvallis, where plans have been prepared and all is set to go when congress provides about \$15,000,000. The administrator plans disposing of 30,000 kilowatts to "an Oregon fabricating plant" in September, 1942, which would indicate that Oregon has won this industry away from Washington competitors.

TO protect the Pacific northwest the war and navy departments are on the road to spend \$300,000,000 in Alaska. Thousands of troops, scores of bomber planes, weather stations, telephones to relay information and radio stations are being assembled. Every steamer leaving Puget sound for the north has a deckload of the common or garden variety of trailer, to be used for housing the army of skilled and common laborers. Cheapest meal for a civilian is in excess of \$1. Wages are higher than they were in the gold rush days of the Klondike, reports a federal officer just back from the territory where, says he, there are only two hotels worthy of the name.

Navy has established a listening post on Kiska island, longitude 180, on Bering sea is a wireless station which reports on storms sweeping down from the arctic. It is the most westerly post of the navy. From this post are sent weather reports to the navy and army flying fields on other islands (Dutch Harbor, Kodiak) and to the mainland. Millions of dollars are being poured into these Alaskan defenses and the hundred other items involved.

Originally intended as protection from the Soviet, they are being continued as a guard against Japan. Most important arm is the air service, but owing to fog conditions flying is impossible much of the time; but the fog which ground American airplanes would also prevent enemy planes from attacking. Army officers are dissatisfied with their assignment and take a bomber for the bright lights whenever possible; the bright lights of Juneau. Prediction is made that when the emergency is over the great cantonments and air fields will be abandoned, leaving only a maintenance crew.

DESIRE of the United States to aid Britain has extended into Alaska. The men who catch the salmon had the best season in years, many making three times as much as ever before, and they have been spending their hard-earned wages riotously. Government wants the canned salmon for the British. This is one year there has been no competition from the Japanese. Infringing with their floating canneries.

Since October 24 there has been no treaty with Japan over the Pribiloff islands, the famous mating place for the seals. Japan abrogated the treaty as one of its retaliatory measures toward the United States and, incidentally, cut off its nose to spite its face, for Japan's share of the profits from sealskins has been considerable. Canada, however, stands by the treaty (Canada's cut in the skins is 14 percent), and Russia, party to the treaty, remains in the pact although Russia receives no percentage. The seal herd is now estimated at 2,000,000 and 96,000 skins were taken last September. With the abrogation by Japan in October that country this year will receive its last share of the profits. Estimated

value of the skins this year is \$4,000,000 and Japan's share will be about \$600,000. Uncle Sam will clean up \$2,000,000.

These Pribiloff seals, which caused trouble between the United States and Japan prior to the treaty, will not be disturbed during the unpleasantness, for the Japanese foreign office has sent a communique to Secretary of State Cordell Hull saying it will keep its nationals away from the islands.

However, in "getting even" Japan is giving up about 1,200,000 yen a year, and yens are scarce in Japan.

## Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago

## TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

November 21, 1931

(It was Saturday)

Will Rogers, cowboy humorist, en route to the Orient, spends five hours in city due to plane being grounded here on account of fog in north. Holds a public reception in Mail Tribune, and is greeted by hundreds of valley residents.

Cold wave continues with a high of 48 and low of 26 degrees.

Search for slayers of Ashland officer centers in the north end of the valley.

First Democratic candidate for sheriff shows up.

Butterfat price war raging upstate.

Japan proposes League of Nations inquiry into Manchurian dispute.

County and city urged to supply work for needy of valley.

Four die from cold in northwest.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

November 21, 1921

(It was Monday)

Northwest in grip of ice and snow; floods feared in Willamette valley. City and valley is visited by 43 of an inch of rain. High 55, low 32 degrees. All trains from north delayed.

Statistics show there is an accident every 20 minutes in New York City.

M. Gandhi, India leader, says he will live on water till world peace comes.

High school football team at full strength for game with Ashland High Thanksgiving Day.

Rain causes Rogue River to rise and fishing is spoiled.

## 4-H RECORD GIRL



LORRAINE FILLIGER, 17, of Astoria, named by State Club Leader H. C. Seymour as Oregon's 1941 outstanding girl in "all-around" 4-H home economics projects, receives an all-expense trip to the 20th National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago Nov. 28-Dec. 6. Her eighty-year record includes sewing 42 garments, raising a garden, handling five dairy cattle, putting up 1,471 quarts of foods and 50 glasses of jellies, preserving 118 quarts of frozen foods, preparing 113 meals and 1,239 dishes, baking 99 cakes, making 20 articles for room improvement, planting 10 trees and 2,864 flowers and shrubs, and designing 14 hobby items. The girl won \$409 in cash prizes, and values her projects at \$1,752.93. She also won noteworthy honors in demonstrations, and judging contests. . . . This girl will compete for one of six \$200 scholarships provided by Montgomery Ward donor also of her trip.

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## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE foreign news front today (Wednesday) is barren of decisive developments but prolific in the way of rumors and claims and hints.