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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The tax mess will result in many new faces after the next election, in the hall of Congress, experts predict. New candidates with suave and glib promises, will solemnly assure the ever trusting voter, as heretofore, his threats to whack them in two, are iron-clad and glib, but after election, fail to perform the amputation. It will be the same old promises, pouring out of different mouths.

In the week-end football reports, it was frequently noted a sophomore halfback had scored a touchdown. In many accounts, the reader could almost see the pained expression on the sport writer's face, that such a thing should happen. Such antipathy is illogical as much as if made by a bow-legged senior, who has no business on the team in the first place. Some action should be taken to keep the soph thus disgracing himself, from being listed with the vilest sinners.

It begins to look like this state had been granted a reprieve, and is no longer in jeopardy of a special extraordinary session of the alleged legislature.

The nation starts off this week with a crisis for every finger, and an emergency for every toe.

Winter officially arrived Sunday. The esteemed Oregonian did not arrive in time for breakfast, and hundreds felt like going back to bed.

"To rid the pantry shelves of red ants, wipe them with denatured alcohol every few weeks." (Household Hints)—One at a time, girls!

Oregon State has been elected to Rose Bowl, and will play Duke, who does not toy with a football like a Duchess.

HOW'S THE SUPPER CLUB? (Dorris Times)

"The Breakfast Club meeting was postponed this week on account of the illness of some of its members."

"The Dinner Club meeting for this week was postponed on account of the illness of some of its members."

Finland advises the Democracies, she is well aware of their hostility by reasons of her affair with the Nazis, but has 'good reasons' for not 'refusing Berlin's invitations.' 'Poor, brave Finland,' as she used to be called, is not just 'Poor Finland.'

PIONEER NEWS SCARCITY

"Our town at the present writing is unusually, monstrously, dadratically dull. Everybody waiting for water and nobody getting what they are waiting for. This is a terrible state of affairs; not an item to be had, and nothing to manufacture one out of. We have two doctors here, but they are of no account or they would furnish the paper with more than one death in two months, and a birth at least once a week. Then there's the minister—guess we won't say anything about him, but we know the ladies like to see marriages, and whose fault is it that they are disappointed? We'd like to be informed."—(Dutch Flat (Calif.) Enquirer, Nov. 26, 1863.)

Nineteen million dollars is available to the quartermaster corps this current fiscal year for purchase of tactical army vehicles, according to the war department.

Kettle on the Curb

THERE is something heart-warming about the Salvation Army kettles, which make their appearance on the streets at this time of year. No other one thing seems more reminiscent of the old-fashioned Christmas.

The world has changed a great deal since these friendly little kettles first appeared on Los Angeles streets nearly a half-century ago. And in the swirling confusion of this present-day stream-lined existence, there are some who entirely miss the true significance of Christmas observance. To them the simple Yuletide joys are entirely lost in the fuss and flurry of hectic holiday shopping, parties and entertaining.

BUT somehow, the "Army's" kettles seem to turn our thoughts once more to the true spirit of Christmas—the Christmas with the great yule log, Tiny Tim and "Silent Night."

Probably it is because one of our earliest Christmas-season recollections is of a Salvation Army kettle under the flickering glow of a gas lamp on the street corner of a great eastern city. On a nearby corner was a hymn-singing group with drum and tambourines, seeking out wickedness and sin.

But isn't that typical of the Salvation Army—a combination of religious zeal and an unwavering determination to relieve suffering, sorrow and distress? Yes, it is a combination that accomplishes wonders, too!

THE Christmas kettles seem to typify the generous, helpful spirit of this truly Christian organization. Sixty years of service to humanity—and the "Army" has never lost the true spirit of the Samaritan. It has been essentially an idealistic program rigidly followed by this organization; yet it has been carried forth in a thoroughly practical, business-like, common-sense manner.

THE yearly Christmas kettle campaign is no exception. The pennies, nickles and dimes dropped into these street corner kettles will go a long, long way toward bringing Christmas cheer to the needy and deserving.

And you may depend upon the "Army" to see that every penny is spent RIGHT.

The heartening note of the tinkling bell, the street corner kettle—why they are as much a part of Christmas as tinsel balls, the traditional feast and old Mr. Claus himself!

In the true spirit of Christmas, let us fill to overflowing Medford's Salvation Army kettles!—H.G.

Puff for Gift Pears

THOSE who wish to know just how the large and luscious Rogue River valley pears found their way into Christmas gift boxes and thus brought a sizable industry to this area will be interested in Frank J. Taylor's article appearing in the current issue of Country Gentleman.

"Oregon's Mail-Order Farmers" is the title of this article. From it, people here are certain to derive both pride and information.

THE author presents, with typically modern technique, the story of the fast-growing fruit gift box industry from the standpoint of the Bear Creek Orchards. While the story of "Harry and David" demands the major portion of the article—and rightfully so, for THEY were the pioneers in this field of endeavor—there is much valuable advertising for our own Rogue River valley. It might also be mentioned that advertising, used extensively and wisely, has been an important factor in spreading the pleasant and profitable habit of giving fruit boxes throughout the nation.

YES, the Rogue River valley's "glamour pears," in artistic wrappings, have built a winter-season industry for this area which has done much to level out seasonal payrolls. As this industry expands the economy of this valley correspondingly improves.

OTHER Medford packers, who are now featuring gift-packed pears, are mentioned in this Country Gentleman article. The author points out that—

"—no less alert, rival shippers offered surprise boxes. One included a brace of wild pheasants grown on a game-bird farm near Medford."

Yes, unique packs of fruits and tasty tidbits, yuletide clusters of Oregon greenery, have helped to put the local fruit industry on its feet and Medford on the map.—H.G.

High School News

by STUDENT REPORTERS

By Thelma Kaplan

At the regular A.S.B. assembly Wednesday a varied musical program was presented by Miss Helene Leach, music director.

Comic highlight of the affair was a short three-act humorous interpretation of grand opera by the boys' quartet. The cast was as follows: the heroine, Leo Miksche; the hero, Ivan Cherry; the villain, Harris Jones; and the fairy, Elmer Bashaw. Entertainment was also furnished by the mixed chorus: a monologue by Mike Thornley; several selections by the girls' sextet; and group singing. Piano accompaniment was furnished by Roger Wolf, and Meryl Dawes.

To honor Mr. Everett Hardy of Portland, Northwestern council leader of Hi-Y, members of that organization discussed

plans for a pot-luck dinner for fathers and sons next Monday. The boys are also planning a Hi-Y review for next week.

Sophomore class officers, at a meeting Wednesday noon, elected a new program chairman, Joan Elliott, and the following committee to assist her, Phyllis Fields, Don Knips, and Bud Nordwick. Senior class officers also held a meeting Wednesday, presided over by R. B. Webber, president, at which time they decided to follow student council's lead in taking action on the question of caps and gowns for graduation.

To publicize National Tuberculosis week and to educate students regarding it, a motion picture was presented to the student body Friday morning which demonstrated action of the germs of this disease and ways of avoiding contagion. The picture "Another to Conquer" was under the sponsorship of Miss Olive Curry, school nurse.

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, 363 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

MILK FOR CHILDREN

How should one go about choosing the right milk for children 8, 10 and 12 years of age, in a city where several different grades of milk are supplied? (asks a reader.) We use large quantities of raw milk from an accredited herd regularly tested for tuberculosis and Bang's disease, but recently



we have Ben Told (Ben gets around as always) we take many chances of contracting undulant fever, septic sore throat and other diseases by using raw milk and that we should use only pasteurized milk, especially for the children. (R.C.D.)

R. C. D. adds that the children dislike the taste of pasteurized milk but are fond of the raw milk, but that he wants to do what is best for the health and safety of his family.

For many years I have enjoyed the next best treat to raw milk fresh from the cow, milk before it has had time to cool. Grade A Raw milk from tuberculin-tested and Bang-tested herd. It is a premium milk, costing, I believe, the same amount as Certified milk costs. I never cared so much about pasteurized milk, although I doubt I could distinguish by taste alone a sample of pasteurized milk (milk that has been par-boiled, heated to 145 degrees F. for thirty minutes to kill any disease germs it may contain) from a sample of ordinary raw milk or Grade A raw or Certified milk. Probably R. C. D.'s children can tell the difference by taste alone—certainly a good many people can. Yet somehow I have enjoyed drinking Grade A Raw from tuberculin-tested and Bang-tested cows via milk-truck and refrigerator almost as much as, in the halcyon days, I enjoyed driving six miles to see the faithful old collier bring the cows from the woods across the stream down in the valley, up the green hills to the barns where I stood at the bedside—at the cowside ready to dip into the pail as soon as the first quart or two permitted—oh, boy, I'd drive a thousand miles and walk 50 for the chance to recapture that thrill now.

If I were R. C. D. I'd keep on giving the children large quantities of the raw milk from tuberculin-tested and Bang-tested cows.

Formerly I recommended Certified milk for people who can afford it, especially for infants, invalids and young children. Certified milk is the—or was the purest raw milk available. But in recent years some producers of Certified milk have evidently lost faith in it themselves, for a considerable number of them now acknowledge that the milk requires pasteurization. If milk must be pasteurized or pasteurized to make it safe for infants, children, invalids or anybody, then I'd as soon have the cheapest kind of milk the market affords, and personally I'd prefer to buy the milk as fresh as possible and scald it to a boil—that is, bring it to a boil for just one minute—which, in my opinion, makes any ordinary market milk perfectly safe for infant, child, invalid or adult, whether the milk is non-descript from a neighboring farm or dairy, from the village store or market, or whether it bears a Grade A or Grade B label or no label at all.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Adviser

Husband, accountant, finds he can do eight or ten hours of heavy concentration daily if he takes two or three tablets of vitamin B1 daily—each tablet containing 333.3 international units. He has been taking these a year and has never had better health or efficiency. But our druggist if he ever stopped to realize that little is known about vitamins and that it might prove that the amount my husband takes will be dangerous. (Mrs. H.S.O.)

Answer—Give the druggist credit for honesty and sincerity at any rate. So far as I know, there is no possible harm in continuing the treatment—which, after all, gives your husband approximately the amount of B1 the average adult got from the average diet a hundred years ago.

Hives

I received remarkable relief for constantly recurring hives by following the instructions in your pamphlet "Relief for Allergy." Thank you for this and many other helps we have found in your column. (C.W.L.)

Answer—On request, accompanied with stamped envelope bearing your address, I am glad to send a pamphlet on "Hives" and one on "Relief for Allergy."

Read Notes

I have constant humming or ringing or whistling noise in my ears and am partly deaf, though I hear conversation when there isn't much noise roundabout. (Mrs. L. K.)

Answer—Send stamped envelope bearing your address, for pamphlet "Tinnitus and Deafness."

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 363 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

(Continued From Page One)

streets and he may have to fight for them, street by street.

THE reds started buying machinery and building materials here two years ago to construct secondary munition plants, hydro-electric dams and other industries at every point along the trans-Siberian rail—along the Irtysh river there to furnish 240,000 kilowatts. Other similar projects are near completion.

But even the successful transmigration of a nation will cause delays and sharp diminution of production. Hence, these facts do not mean Russia has been saved—only that the Nazis will find little or nothing in the conquered territory.

The fall of Moscow would give the Germans control of what was formerly 75 per cent of Russian industry. It would be physically impossible to move that much of a nation's production without a dangerous hiatus.

Consequently, long range hope for Russian success beyond next May is shared by only a portion of officials here. This government's unspoken opinion is that unless the U. S. gets large quantities of materials in through Vladivostok before spring, the Russians cannot hold out.

SABOTAGE is suspected in the increasing number of passenger railroad wrecks, yet interstate commerce commission authorities are not attributing them to foreign agents. September and October of this year recorded a 20 per cent increase in the number of wrecks over the same two months last year, an increase of 29.4 per cent in the number killed and 5.5 per cent in the number injured. Yet

there were only 18 wrecks of sufficient consequence to warrant ICC investigation.

ICC authorities are inclined to think most of them can be attributed to mentally unsettled persons. A flare-up of that kind of crime has been noticed since the war began.

AUSTRALIAN authorities are more than half-seriously complaining that the far-eastern issue of war or no war is being handled by Messrs. Roosevelt and Hull exclusively. Said one such diplomat: "You are doing the negotiating and we will have to do the fighting." He meant on land.

PROSPECT EXTENSION UNIT HOLDS MEETING

Prospect, Dec. 1.—(Sp.)—

An interesting home extension meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Fred Middlebush Friday with Miss Marion Farrell, demonstration agent, giving a talk and demonstration on caring for the sick in the home. Mrs. Middlebush, chairman, presided over the meeting.

Attending were Mrs. Carl Kludt, Mrs. Gus Ditzworth, Mrs. Kelley Wright, Mrs. Ted Bevins, Mrs. H. Hertziger, Mrs. E. J. Flynn, Mrs. Wm. Mooney, Mrs. David Neville, Mrs. Clifford Kernohan, Mrs. Richard D. Gray, Mrs. S. T. Morrison, Mrs. Paul Algeo, Mrs. Rogers, Miss Farrell and Mrs. Middlebush.

Next meeting will be in the high school, Dec. 12. Leaders will be Mrs. Barbara Tubman and Mrs. Maxine Pierce and they will demonstrate cooking the cheaper cuts of meat.

OREGON 4-H GIRL IS

ALTERNATE CHAMPION

Chicago, Dec. 1.—(AP)—The

National 4-H Club congress yesterday named Francine Sharp, Clackamas, Ore., as second alternate to Beth Gill, 17, of Nesbitt, Miss., national 4-H club champion among girls.

The prize is a silver trophy and a \$300 college scholarship.

David Sarnoff, of the Radio Corporation of America, was once a messenger on the old New York Herald at \$5 a week.

Kelly's Comment

From Washington

More Competition

From Argentina

Army Equipment

Hints Expansion

Expansion Sure

Or Costly Error

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., Dec. 1.—Agriculture of the Pacific northwest is to receive new competition from Argentina. Negotiations are in progress by which Uncle Sam will purchase surplus commodities in that country the same as the surplus commodities administration is doing in the United States. It is to be an extension of the surplus commodities program for the purpose of preventing Argentine surpluses being available to Herr Hitler and his associates in the axis.

Listed among the items to be bought are casein, wool and hides, all of which are produced in the northwest. In addition there will be purchased quantities of strategic materials to be added to the stockpiles now being built up by Metals Reserve corporation. The proposal being discussed would have the United States purchase every ton of tungsten produced in Argentina until 1944. Before the United States will take over the surplus commodities it is insisted that Argentina shall not dispose of any to Germany, Italy or Japan. On this point the negotiations are said to revolve.

State department conducts its negotiations so secretly that it never makes an announcement until a transaction is completed, but Argentina is less close-mouthed. Without definite information, it is rumored that the casein, wool and other articles will be brought to the United States for processing and not disposed of in England in the raw state. All of these items are produced in this country. If the policy of Jesse H. Jones is pursued whatever purchases are made will be imported without paying duty.

WAR department reiterates that it has no plans for increasing the army nor for an expeditionary force, yet there are signs to the contrary. The present army consists of 1,500,000 officers and men. Officers buy their own uniforms and equipment; the men are furnished their clothing. Bearing this in mind, it is interesting to do a little checking, and these are some of the results:

For every man the quartermaster department has already bought 10 pairs of shoes (foot covering for an army of 10,000,000); 45 suits of underwear; 14 pairs of cotton khaki shirts; 26 pairs of flannel shirts; 50 pairs of socks; 8 pairs of gloves; four barrack bags; 9 pairs of cotton trousers; 3 pairs of herringbone twill trousers; 4.5 pairs wool serge trousers; 4.5 canvas leggings; 3 herringbone jackets; 3 field jackets.

Each man of the present army of 1,500,000, in addition to the foregoing, has 39 yards of wool serge; 26 yards of flannel shirt; 4.5 yards wool overcoat; eight yards wool lining cloth; 40 yards cotton khaki twill; 34 yards herringbone twill cotton; 40 yards cotton uniform cloth; 20 yards cotton lining cloth; 32 yards cotton khaki cloth; 20 yards cotton jeans; 21 yards cotton drill; 1.5 yards of melton; 1.5 yards of elastic cloth.

Every other man in the army of 1,500,000 has a complete white uniform for baking or butchering. This may mean that 1,000,000 men will cook for 500,000. There are nine neckties per man. A clinic thermometer has been provided for every man in the army, and bathrobes and pajamas, costing \$3,042,534, these latter to be used in hospitals. There are 78 feet of mosquito netting per soldier and 14 yards of canvas tent cloth. Bought already are 10 blankets per man and beds and mattresses for ten million. There are 2.5 mackinaws a man; nine hats and caps.

Such are some of the purchases figured out on a per man basis. There are winter combat trousers, winter combat jackets; sleeping bags, parkas costing from \$7 to \$24.25 each and \$19 costing \$114.82 each; waterproof bedding rolls. Anticipating expanding the "mountain brigade" 6992 pairs of ski boots have been purchased, plus a pair of arctic for every present enlisted man; flying shoes, felt boots and overshoes.

Viewing all this equipment (and more is constantly being ordered) intends the war department intends expanding the army to from 8,000,000 to 10,000,000 or else, when the emergency is over, there will be army goods stores in every town in the United States selling the accumulation.

BRINGING these purchases into a nearer view, it means five pairs of shoes for every man, woman and child in Washington and Oregon; a raincoat for every goods store in every town in the United States selling the accumulation.

The USO intends to operate at least one large clubhouse at every U. S. naval base. Construction is already under way at many of the bases.

20 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT



25 pairs of cotton and wool socks; seven cotton shirts; 29 yards of mosquito netting; half the population of the two states with a clinic thermometer, and all with a bathrobe and pajamas; every one with a work shirt, etc.

If the army is not expanded, someone has made a costly error in buying equipment. The senate committee on defense expenditures is striving to learn the answer.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

TODAY'S (Saturday's) news is full of hints and highlights, its and maybes, of bluffs and counter-bluffs.

It is barren of decisive developments.

OVERSHADOWING everything for the moment is the situation in the Pacific.

The Jap press and radio are attacking the U. S. bitterly. Here are scattered samples:

"America has no sincerity."

"America has broken the peace."

"The United States ALONE is responsible for what seems almost inevitable now."

SAVAGE chieftains, working their warriors up to the fighting pitch, set the tom-toms to throbbing. Modern dictators turn loose their heel-dog press and radio.

The purposes are the same. Only the methods differ.

IN Tokyo, Tojo's cabinet, in what the correspondents describe as "an atmosphere reflecting alternate gloom and bristling hostility," meets anew to deliberate on Japan's final stand on the negotiations with Washington.

JAPAN, according to "responsible Far Eastern authorities" quoted by the Associated Press today, has two choices:

1. Accept U. S. terms. Quit the axis. Get out of China.

2. FIGHT.

THESE Far Eastern authorities think it isn't Japan's character (ruled as she is by a military dictatorship that must fight or lose out) to knuckle under to the U. S. and quit.

So they think she'll fight.

Their prediction is that the Tojo government, which sent Kurusu to make a last-minute peace try, will FALL and will be succeeded by a government FULLY COMMITTED TO WAR.

FDR leaves Washington for Warm Springs, giving rise to two opposing schools of conjecture:

1. That he wouldn't have left if any hope remained of further negotiations with Japan.

2. That he wouldn't have left if the Jap crisis was really expected to get worse.

Take your choice.

IN London, an "authoritative source" says:

"U. S. aid in the battle of the Atlantic has enabled Britain to delegate to the Pacific the sort of ships (that is, battleships) needed to meet a 'really great naval power.'"

Japan is one of the great naval powers, with a navy built around BATTLESHIPS, which are fighting ships. London "authoritative source" (whoever he is) is saying to Japan:

"If you fight, you'll have to fight a combined U. S.-British fleet with more battleships than you have."

FROM Manila comes a dispatch asserting that Nazi agents in the Far East are making a determined attempt to bring about a negotiated peace between Japan and China.

The Nazi idea, of course, is to get Japan out of the mud in China so she will be free to fight the United States and Britain.

YOU may think you have seen poker games in your time.

This writer ventures the opinion that all the poker games you have seen in all your life if piled one on top of another would bear about the same relation to this poker game in the Orient as a handful of sand to Mount Shasta.

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Flight o' Time

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

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

December 1, 1921

(It was Tuesday)

Capt. Frank Hawk on flight from Vancouver, B. C., to Mexican border forced to make landing in Siskiyou due to dizzy spells.

Rain and warmer weather predicted. High 48, low 25 degrees.

Parting of ways seen for England and Mahatma Gandhi over India problems.

Prosecutor of Tom Mooney, serving life in San Quentin for Preparedness Day bombing expresses doubt of Mooney's guilt in hearing before Gov. Rolph.

Fire sirens will call children to view toy displays in local windows as Christmas season opens.

Rural resident resents budget slash for county library.