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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The Senate cheered the name of Brigadier-General William Mitchell, who a score of years ago was cashiered out of the Army, when he advocated a stronger air force for America. He died of a broken heart, some claimed. That was back in the days when the airplane was hailed as 'an agency for the brotherhood of man and a force for peace through elimination of time and space'.

The rumor there were no more rumors hereabouts turned out to be another rumor.

The whereabouts and origin of the earthquake that quivered Portland the first of the week are unknown. It might be just a young one, gaining strength for a visit to Japan and en route there.

Herr Hitler in his New Year remarks likened himself to a dove of peace. Der Fuehrer bears more resemblance to the favorite food of squirrels.

FAR FROM FLORIDA

(Pendleton East Oregonian)

"After a long and pleasant autumn and early winter everyone for some unknown reason decided Heppner was entering into a semi-tropical climate but that has all been knocked out of them. In the outlying district the thermometer is down very near the zero mark."

Saving of hubber everywhere but in the human neck is the order of the day.

There has been a spell of bracing weather, most of the bracing being against the handiest heating apparatus.

Experts who predicted the defeat of OSC by Duke took a worse beating than the losers and are busy crawling back into their holes and pulling in their horns. The result should be a warning to jittery souls who place explicit faith in the beatings of war experts, always fearing the worse and telling what fearful things will now happen that A. Hitler is mad. They should be prohibited from making peace predictions. The more conservative now guess the war will be over in five years. In the light of their current bum forecasting, they have only missed approximately four and one-half years.

CANTONMENT DOPE

(Eugene Register-Guard)

"Of course, there are still a few cynics who think the cantonment should be called 'Camp Coke,' and there are others, with a political flair who insist it should be known simply as the First District Cantonment, but from a long experience we are inclined to suspect that neither McNary nor Mott had any more to do with the matter than the customary sequence of telegrams subscribed 'kindest regards' (which translated freely from the Choctaw means always 'yours for the vote')."

There is positively nothing to the rumor that cantonments are selected in the dark of the moon. No, it's a very natural process. The construction men and the tactical experts never agree, so they just race around the country arguing and at the spot where both fall exhausted and out of breath the general steps in and says:

"Lafayette here we are!"

Raw silk is the only important textile material in which Japan is self-sufficient.

All Hail to O.S.C.

All hail to those "farm boys" from Corvallis!

We knew they would give a good account of themselves and make monkeys out of the eastern experts, but frankly DIDN'T believe they could so completely upset the dope bucket as to win the Rose Bowl championship.

And no football victory was ever more genuinely earned. It not only took strong legs and arms, it took clear heads and the true fighting heart.

Yes sir! Hand it to every lad on the squad, and to Lon Stiner, a great,—and heretofore never fully appreciated,—coach.

NOT only a great athletic victory, but a great moral victory. For it takes something besides brawn to do what the O.S.C. outfit did yesterday,—march on an alien field, after a trip of over 3,000 miles, not only underdogs but three-legged ones (the prevailing odds were 3 to 1 against them) with the huge crowd packed with supporters of the opposition; and then repeatedly checked, as they struggled to forge ahead, finally by a supreme burst of superior offensive and defensive power, put the game,—and the national football championship for 1941,—on ice.

Yes, say what you will, such an achievement requires not only physical prowess but those qualities of will power and stamina which make up CHARACTER,—and all praise to the boys from O.S.C. who certainly had it.

NEVER again will the eastern experts, raise a languid eyebrow, when a "twice-defeated aggregation," from Oregon,—that "terra incognita" lying somewhere between Puget Sound and the Golden Gate,—dares to invade the highly-polished environs of the Atlantic seaboard and challenges next to the highest scoring football machine in the U. S. They will grant hereafter that a team that can lead on the Pacific coast, has AT LEAST a Chinaman's chance.

Yes, one of the most gratifying things about this triumph, was its unexpectedness and the devastating smash in the solar plexus it gave the effete and self-satisfied football aristocracy of the "far east."

They didn't even know whether Oregon was north or south of famous "sun-kissed state", but now they know where it is, and from this time on they will never forget.

FINALLY, not one All-American,—or any other recognized—star on the squad, but just eleven rough-handed Corvallis lads in there pitching all the time, and pitching until the final gun just a little harder and a little tougher than their opponents.

Yes a great victory, "the greatest athletic triumph" in the history of the state. The boys from O.S.C. on their return should be given a welcome from the people of the entire state they will never forget!

An Outrage!

Like a bolt from the blue, comes the announcement that the slight remnant of a decent passenger train service we now have here in southern Oregon will be discontinued January 12th!

If there is neither government nor military necessity to justify this drastic action, the people of this community simply should NOT submit to it!

With such severe restrictions on tires, and probably soon on new cars, as to render normal travel by private motor cars, more and more difficult, the need of travel by train becomes more and more pressing, and is today more a matter of PUBLIC NECESSITY than has been the case, in decades.

NO doubt the plea of the Southern Pacific will be the usual one,—can't operate passenger trains at a loss. Under the circumstances this alibi has no real validity whatever.

There is hardly a passenger train in the country that pays for itself,—that doesn't on a basis of strict bookkeeping, operate at a loss. With few if any exceptions, passenger trains are operated on freight train profits. This is not only true today, it has been for many years.

HOW much freight does the Southern Pacific get from this section of southern Oregon, and what are its profits therefrom?

These facts can be secured. They should be secured, and immediately presented to the proper authorities.

WHO doubts for a moment, that if the Southern Pacific did not enjoy a COMPLETE MONOPOLY in this valley, as far as perishable freight transportation to the eastern markets is concerned, not only would it make no move to deprive this community of what little passenger service it has, it would maintain a service similar to the type maintained now, in ALL COMPETITIVE sections of its far-flung system.

HERE is something certainly for the local Chamber of Commerce to take up, take up immediately and with every resource at its command.

If the Interstate Commerce Commission can't prevent this blow being struck at the welfare of this community at this time, then certainly this department knows nothing about its true functions or the chief reasons for which it was originally established!

21 NEW YEAR BABIES
Portland, Jan. 2.—(AP)—A check of hospitals today indicated that 21 babies were born in the Portland vicinity on New Year's day.

Portland, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Despite entrance of a federal me-

diator into the controversy, the Doernbecher Manufacturing Co. was strike-bound this morning as 1600 CIO furniture workers failed to report.

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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.

IF GLUCOSE IS DEXTROSE THEN SOME ONE HAS LIED

Being just O' Doc Brady, plodding door-to-door practitioner, I wouldn't know, but I have it from Prof. H. S. Sherman (Chemistry of Food and Nutrition) that glucose is dextrose and it is otherwise called grapesugar, corn sugar, starch sugar.



If any one gets mad about this I refer him to p. 13 of the fifth edition (1937) of Sherman's textbook. Please don't take it out of my hide—Sherman said it, remember.

Harking back to the third edition (1917) of Dr. Harvey Wiley's "Foods and Their Adulteration" it is astonishing to note how little the redoubtable crusader for pure foods had to say about glucose—he said it forms an ideal base for a table sirup, has only a very slightly sweet taste—but nowhere in the book does Dr. Wiley mention dextrose.

It is a physiological fact that all starches and sugars of whatever type or source are converted by digestion into glucose (or call it dextrose if you prefer) and absorbed (from the intestine, not from the stomach) into the blood, and then synthesized into glycogen (animal starch) and as glycogen it is stored in the liver and the muscles and enough of it for constant use is retained in the blood. It is constantly used as fuel to supply energy, not only the muscular energy expended by the use of voluntary muscles in play, exercise or work, but the energy expended by the involuntary muscles—heart, alimentary tract, blood vessel coat, diaphragm, in carrying on the vital functions (breathing and circulation).

Incidentally I find but one mention of glucose in a 1939 textbook on Nutrition and Diet (McLester) and that is in the index, where the reader is referred to dextrose elsewhere in the index. The style has changed.

Perhaps the term glucose fell into undeserved disrepute because in the Wiley era and before some unscrupulous food manipulators used it to adulterate honey and other foods. But there is no reason for such bias against glucose today. Glucose, in my opinion, is as good and as

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Kelly's Comment

From Washington

Economy Effort
To Hit Northwest
Flood Control
On "Out" List
CCC, NYA Also
Face Elimination

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., Jan. 2.—

Northwestern states face the loss of many millions of dollars of government funds under the recommendations of the joint committee on reduction of non-essential expenditures. There is sufficient dynamite in the recommendations to jar most of the residents of Washington and Oregon and bring home to them that the United States is in a war which will require so much of government funds that every dollar now spent for non-defense purposes must be saved. There is no section of the northwest that is not affected, either as to commodities, individuals or groups.

The only hope is that not all the recommendations will be carried into effect and that senate and house members will put up a scrap on many of the items listed for reduction or elimination. To rub in the bad news, it can be stated that the economies recommended are only the beginning; a further list of non-essentials will be submitted later.

OF general importance is the recommendation to allocate to the states only 50 per cent of the federal aid sums for highway systems. What this means in the way of development of the road system, maintenance and construction of arterial highways, forest roads and roads through the public domain and roads across Indian reservations is apparent to everyone, especially the owners of nearly one million passenger automobiles, trucks and buses in the north west.

Recommended is the freezing of reclamation projects applying particularly to the reclamation division of Grand Coulee's 1,200,000 acres; the studies for a reclamation project on Rogue river; studies of a project for cut-over lands in western Washington; neither authorization nor appropriation for new projects. Whether the committee's program would stop further construction on the Deschutes project and the Anderson ranch dam is not certain, as the former is now progressing rapidly and the latter just started with \$2,500,000. The definite opposition to any new federal dams strikes at Umatilla on the Columbia and the four navigation dams on Snake river.

FLOOD control, says the committee, should be stopped for the duration. There are a half dozen flood control projects under way or in the making in the northwest, the largest of these being the Willamette valley project on which army engineers are now engaged; there is the flood control on Walla Walla river and various other streams. Stopping of the Willamette valley project, with its series of reservoirs to equate the flow of Willamette river, would create a mess for only some of the re-

servoirs have been completed, with others under way. This recommendation also means a long delay in constructing new navigation locks at Oregon City.

Farmers are hit hard in the report. All the activities of farm tenant administration are recommended for abolishment. The farm security administration, with migratory labor camps in eastern Washington, near Nyssa, Corvallis and elsewhere, and which has been active in rehabilitation work, is to be closed if the committee's advice is taken. The food stamp plan is headed for extinction. Soil conservation benefits, which scattered several million dollars to northwest farmers, is listed for reduction. The 1941 checks will be distributed next month.

COMPLETE elimination of CCC and NYA is favored, including the training of boys for national defense. It is insisted that two agencies have no legitimate reason for existence at a time when young men can be otherwise engaged, either in army, navy or essential industry. They were set up to provide work for sons of relief families and aid students in high school and college at a cost to the government of approximately \$1,000 per year per man.

No more postoffices or federal court buildings nor additions to present structures are favored. For WPA the committee has hopes of a saving of perhaps one half billion dollars. For the first three months the committee recommends only fifty million dollars and thereafter appropriations held close to unemployment. What the committee is driving at is to eventually turn back to the responsibility of the states, counties and communities the task of providing for the relief, a job taken over by the federal government during the past eight or nine years. Of the hundreds of WPA jobs which have been approved by the president as eligible for funds (providing they are approved by state administrators) very few will ever materialize after the war; only essential projects associated with national defense will receive the green light, such as building access roads and air fields.

Washington, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Im-

mediate strengthening of the strategic Aleutian Islands, potential Pacific ramparts for the rich territory of Alaska, and concentration in the area of "planes, more planes—lots of planes" was urged today by Alaska's delegate to congress, Anthony J. Dimond.

He expressed his opinion in an interview following the navy's disclosure earlier this week that "Japanese vessels are suspected of being in the vicinity of Kodiak," an island off the Alaskan peninsula which recently has been transformed into a navy base.

Dimond declared that this northwest corner of the continent needed "plenty of all types of planes, and as many naval vessels as can be spared, and given protection against air attack, until we catch up with and sink any Japanese submarines operating in those waters."

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