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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry
There is too much "wishful thinking" about the collapse of Nazi arms and morale, London warns. Ample evidence prevails a collapse could occur. There seems to be considerable "wishful fearing" the end is approaching.
Tire rationing presages the return of the horse and buggy. Then there will be a buggy-whip shortage to face.
Record, but censored cold weather prevailed over the state last week. Natives fooled the foe by asking each other: Is it hot enough for you?

"The manager of a large firm states that he would rather have a green salesman than a blue one."—(Stockton, Calif., Record). Or, one pink with envy.
Pipe and cigar smokers urge tag users to avoid the 2c tax by "rolling their own." They may have a chance themselves to puff on pure Havana cabbage and autumn leaves.
The fog was so thick for a time yes, even rumors had difficulty in flying, it was rumored.

A few valley Field Marshals, Admirals and Diplomats have discussed informally, a basis for peace terms, if and when.

"Cultured lady of means would like to meet gentleman with car between 40 and 60 years old."—(L. A. Times). Before the Model 'T's.

HE WOULD (Christian Science Monitor) Sign in Berlin: "When the air raid alarm sounds, go immediately to the shelters. Our Fuehrer sets an example by always being first to go to the air raid shelter."

S. Slate Johnson, the turkey-jerk king, has returned from a visit to the effete East, mostly in the Rochester, N. Y., sector.

The old song, "Oh, the Irish, and the Dutch; They Don't Amount to Much!" will have to be revised, as far as the Dutch are concerned. The Irish balk at giving Britain and America air bases in Eire.

TIRELESS EFFORT "You're worrying about the fact that new tires are forbidden? Your trouble isn't tires, my son—it is your brain that's skiddin'. If you begrudge the very earliest sacrifice suggested, you're going to find your power to take it rigorously tested! Tires are the first small contribution to your own attacking! The problem of delivering a thorough Japalack!

Back in 1917, we had our gasless Sundays. Our wheelless days, our meatless days, our cream-and-sweetless Mondays. We didn't call it sacrifice, we didn't feel it grief. We didn't curse the government, we didn't sit and beg— It wasn't any hardship, but 'twas luxury I'll vow. Compared with the divestments that are going to happen now! Our shoes may yet be stringless and our cans may soon be tinless. Our coffee may be rationed, and our liquor may be winless. Our rights may yet be lightless and our chess may yet be tasteless. (And maybe we shall tighten belts and cease becoming wastrels!) Our linen may be starchless and our cooking may be fireless— Why speak of tires? The fact is clear: our effort must be tireless!" —(Cleveland Plaindealer)

Its Up to the I. C. C. WITH characteristic disregard for every interest but its own,— The Southern Pacific yesterday deprived Southern Oregon of all through passenger train service to and from California, even though this action had been protested by all the communities affected, and a "desist order" requested from the Interstate Commerce commission.

HAD the Southern Pacific the slightest concern for the goodwill of this part of the state, or its desires from the standpoint of decent rail transportation, it would at least have postponed the date of such action, until the Interstate Commerce Commission had handed down its decision. For, as we understand the situation, what is finally done depends upon the action of that judicial body,—and THAT alone. Even the self-satisfied and case-hardened dignitaries in charge of final S. P. policy, can't defy orders from this national tribunal.

THROUGH some error, in transmission however, the I.C.C. did not receive the formal application for a desist order,—or according to our information had not, when the time set for the new schedule to go into effect arrived. So we repeat, CHARACTERISTICALLY, the Southern Pacific, jumped the gun, on the discredited theory that possession IS three parts of the law. Not that it hadn't a perfectly LEGAL right to do so. It had.

But we do maintain there is not another large public service corporation, in the country, that faced with a similar situation, would not have voluntarily, and along the line of an enlightened public policy, have waived enforcement, until the matter had been adjudicated by the final authority. But not the S. P.

AS has been stated before in this department, IF the little, picayune vestigial relic of adequate train service to and from this valley and California, now enjoyed, MUST be scrapped on the ground of MILITARY NECESSITY,—and the Interstate Commerce commission so decides,—the incident is closed as far as this newspaper,—or, we are sure, the people of Southern Oregon are concerned.

But this is NOT a question for either interested party to decide,—the people of Southern Oregon, who want better train service, or the Southern Pacific who don't want to give any. It is a question for the Interstate Commerce commission, with all the facts before them, and in view of all the circumstances, to decide.

The people of Southern Oregon are certainly entirely willing to wait upon that verdict. The Southern Pacific SHOULD be,—but isn't. LET it be repeated: There isn't a man, woman or child in Southern Oregon not only willing but eager to make any sacrifice ACTUALLY demanded by the war,—

On the other hand, there are practically NONE, who can believe without more evidence than the S. P. has provided, that abandonment of ALL through train service to and from California, not only today, but when the valley's population and transportation needs are doubled or tripled, comes properly under this classification.

If, however, the final authority says that is true,—OK,—the argument ends, the protest is withdrawn. But let the truth be established FIRST, not by the S. P., or by this community, but by the proper, judicial tribunal!

Peace Army Has Gone

WHAT a change one year has brought in the public attitude toward American soldiers, sailors, marines, and coast guardsmen! Not long ago selectees for army service under the Selective Service Act were looked upon in many quarters, and often among themselves, as slightly comical, slightly pathetic victims of a sort of ironic joke.

Only last summer the remark was heard that most of the khaki-clad men on leave who swarmed the streets of our cities looked not so much like soldiers as like bewildered civilians in uniforms. Considering the character of modern warfare, however, a mechanic's stoop may be far more indicative of soldierly efficiency than a goose-stepper's strut.

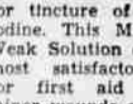
After Pearl Harbor and the epic Battle of Wake, after many months of the hazardous Battle of the Atlantic, and while daily reports of the heroic stand of MacArthur's men in the Philippines continue, we have all come to look upon the men of the fighting forces in somewhat the same way that their mothers looked upon them always. Admiration and anxiety are strong among the mingled emotions.

Unnecessary anxiety can do no good, and can do much harm. Don't fret too much if mail to or from your relative in the service is somewhat delayed. Enclose a stamped envelope and a sheet of writing paper when you write to him, to make it easy for him to start his reply on its way.—M. M. C.

FINNS CLAIM WIN OVER RED TROOPS Helsinki, Finland, Jan. 13.—(AP)—A five-day offensive of Red army troops to recapture Poveung, north of Lake Onega on the eastern front was crushed and two Soviet infantry regi-

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.

THAT SKULL AND CROSSBONES The official Tincture of Iodine which was in general use in the United States and Canada a few years ago contained 7 1/2 per cent of iodine. Since 1932 a weaker preparation, called Mild Tincture of Iodine in the U. S. and Weak Solution of Iodine in Canada, has been generally sold when the public asks for tincture of iodine or just iodine. This Mild Tincture or Weak Solution of Iodine is the most satisfactory preparation for first aid disinfection of minor wounds or for any other purpose for which iodine may be used in the home.



Dr. Brady for tincture of iodine or just iodine. This Mild Tincture or Weak Solution of Iodine is the most satisfactory preparation for first aid disinfection of minor wounds or for any other purpose for which iodine may be used in the home. In some states the law requires that a POISON label be applied to tincture of iodine, the familiar skull and crossbones. Whether this is required for Weak Solution of Iodine in Canada, I do not know.

Other States require no such POISON label on tincture of iodine sold to the public. Although the older textbooks assert that tincture of iodine is poisonous if taken in considerable quantity, by mistake or with felonious intent, reports of serious or fatal poisoning by iodine are extraordinarily rare in medical and medico-legal records.

Numerous far more dangerous poisons are indiscriminately sold to the public without a poison label or even a hint on the label about the possible danger—for instance preparations containing strychnine, acetanilide, etc. Numerous instances of fatal poisoning of children by strychnine in "candy" tablets distributed as samples have been reported in medical literature. Still, no one has agitated seriously for legal restrictions or precautions against such tragedies.

The United States Pharmacopoeia is about to be revised—the regular decennial revision. It is to be hoped that the revision committee and their medical, pharmacological and chemical associates and advisers will see to get together on an agreeable victory arrangement frankly was discouraging to all.

News Behind The News by Paul Mallon
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The Murray plan is an old one worked up by Phil Murray, president of the CIO, and unenthusiastically reaffirmed as the CIO goal at their last convention. It would put labor and government into control of industry along with management, through "industry councils" in which each are equally represented.

Thus labor leaders propose to pass from the management of labor into the management of industry. Thus would management become a minority voice to labor and government in its own field. (The Reuther plan merely calls for pooling plant capacity).

The hollow shell of this setup was offered by the government in the makeshift "compromise" which was adopted. The industry council is to be organized just as in the Murray plan, but it is not to have arbitrary controlling powers and will function merely in an advisory capacity. This caused CIO leaders to issue the only sour note of objection yet heard in the victory march.

The serious part of it is what it augurs for the future. CIO is apparently pledged to break over its own side of the fence, managing labor, and gets its foot into the door of business management, in all industries as well as motors, and intends to use the war to try it.

THE remaining place where I could fall down is in labor. Our potential labor supply now is around 55,000,000 men. Of these 2,000,000 are already in the army and 3,000,000 are going in. Four millions today are unemployed. (You can read that sentence again).

Working today, we have around 49,000,000 men. Only 3,000,000 are already in defense industries. Defense authorities say the Roosevelt program will require 15,000,000 more workers for its fulfillment. Only 10,000,000 of these can be transferred from non-defense industries (the great bulk of these workers are in indispensable services, on farms, running trains, etc.). This leaves the program about 5,000,000 short, before the coming draft. The draft will take around 4,000,000 immediately for the army. With enlistments for other branches, the drain from industry may be higher.

So we wind up with a prospective shortage of at least 9,000,000 new workers. Possibly 3,000,000 of the unemployed are sufficiently equipped mentally and physically to be worked in somewhere (this is putting it most optimistically). The net deficiency then comes to 6,000,000 or more than 25 percent of the 20,000,000 to be required for the defense industry program.

SAGGING GERMAN FRONTS POUNDED BY SLAV FORCES

London, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Waves of crack Russian troops, paced by tank and motorized infantry vanguards, were reported storming Orel today as the Red army pressed against the sagging Nazi lines on three main Soviet fronts. Russian sources said Orel, 200 miles south of Moscow and one of the key outposts of the Soviet capital's defenses, already was by-passed and flanked.

The BBC, heard in New York by NBC, said it understood unofficially that Orel already had been retaken). The Soviet command was said to have called on a new shock army, backed up by ski troopers and cavalry, to take Orel and thus secure a base for the still broader offensive aimed at rolling back the German line toward Bryansk, about 80 miles northwest.

Bryansk is at the southern end of the Nazi north-south line from Rzhev directly west of Moscow. This new Red army attacking force is formed of units called "Guards Formations"—which means they are veterans who have won the right to the honor of a "Guards" designation by their fighting records.

Besides the front south of Moscow, authoritative sources called the Red army progress good also before Leningrad and in the Crimea. Strong Soviet attacks were said to have been launched in the north just below Lake Ilmen, apparently aimed at trapping large German forces outside Leningrad.

LIVESTOCK

Portland, Ore., Jan. 13.—(AP)—(USDA)—Cattle, salable and total 200, holdover 1100, calves salable 35, total 50; few sales about steady with Monday's late sales; liberal quota Monday's late sales; fair good beef cows not moving; canner and culler cows \$5.00-6.00; fleshy dairy cows \$7.00-8.00; medium-good beef cows \$8.25-9.00; cutter to common heifers \$7.00-8.00; medium-good bulls \$9.50-10.75; good-choice vealers \$13.00-14.00; selected lots to \$14.25; late Monday medium-good fed steers \$11.00-12.00; good-choice fed steers \$12.50-13.50; medium-good ewes \$4.00-5.50.

South San Francisco South San Francisco, Jan. 13.—(AP)—(Fed-State Mkt. News)—Cattle salable 150; strong with yesterdays 15-25 advance. One load top good 930 lb. steers \$18.10, bulk Monday, all weights \$12.25-13.10; fed heifers \$11.50-75, young range cows \$9.00-25; today, one load 1020 lb. dairy cows \$7.60; few head \$7.75, and \$8.00; considerable recovery from last week; medium sausage bulls \$9.50-9.25; calves salable 10; none good; good-choice vealers quoted \$13.00-14.00; odd head light medium calves \$11.00. Hogs salable 450; around 15 lower; most good to choice 185-235 lb. barrows and gilts \$12.60-70, latter top, most good \$9.90-10.00. Sheep salable 300; woolled lambs absent, quoted \$12.50-13.25; shorn lambs strong, 2 decks quoted \$0 lb. Washington shorn lambs \$12.00; medium to choice ewes \$10.00-12.00.

Chicago Chicago, Jan. 13.—(AP)—(USDA)—Salable hogs: moderately active, generally 10-20 lower; top \$11.50; bulk 160-240 lb. \$11.15-45; 240-270 lb. \$10.85-11.00; 270-300 lb. \$10.85-11.10; most good 350-500 lb. sows \$9.85-10.35; lighter weights to \$10.50. Salable cattle \$8.00, slow, weak trade on fed steers and yearlings; bulk \$11.25-13.50 with common grades down to \$9.50 and below top \$14.00 paid for choice yearlings and light steer, medium weights strictly choice \$13.50; several loads \$12.25-75.

Portland Produce

Portland, Ore., Jan. 13.—(AP)—Butter, butterfat, cheese, eggs, live poultry buying prices, country meats, wool, mohair, hops, cascara bark, hay, onions unchanged. Potatoes—White, locals \$2.25 central; Deschutes gems \$2.85-3.00 central; Yakima No. 1 gems \$2.85 central; Klamath \$2.85-3.00 central. Nuts, walnuts unchanged.

Portland Wheat

Portland, Ore., Jan. 13.—(AP)—Grain: Wheat: Open High Low Close May 1.03 1.03 1.03 1.03; Cash grain: oats No. 2-3R lb. white \$59.00; barley No. 2-4S lb. b.w. \$34.00; corn No. 2, y. shipments \$36.25; No. 1 flax \$2.07. Cash wheat (bid): soft white 1.00; soft white excluding rx \$1.01; white club \$1.02; western red \$1.10. Hard red winter: ordinary \$1.00; 10 pct. \$1.02; 11 pct. \$1.10; 12 pct. \$1.15. Hard white-hair: ordinary \$1.12; 10 pct. \$1.16; 11 pct. \$1.22; 12 pct. \$1.26.

Today's car receipts: wheat 32; barley 1; flour 2; corn 1; millfeed 3; flax seed 1.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Grain futures prices broke sharply today and little rallying power appeared at any time, although a fair demand was credited to milling interests on declines. Wheat finished 3/4 to 2 1/2 cents under Monday's close, May \$1.20 1/4-1/2, July \$1.32 1/4; corn was 1 to 1 1/4 off, May 86 1/2, July 87 1/2-88, oats declined 1 to 1 1/4, ry. 1 1/2 to 2 and soybeans 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 cents. Lard was 2 1/2 cents lower to 5 cents higher.

Wall St. Report

New York, Jan. 13.—(AP)—Stocks with an industrial commodity rating, notably rubbers and metals, responded to Washington inspiration in today's market with a recovery push of 1 to more than 2 points. While the forward tilt was almost as selective as in the preceding slack session, many leaders in other groups managed to tack on fractions and declines were relatively scarce at the close. Transfers were around 700,000 shares.

Today's closing prices for 34 selected stocks follow:
Al. Chem. & Dye 141 1/2
Am. Can 128
A. T. & T. 128
Anaconda 128 1/2
Atch. T. & S. F. 81 1/2
Bendix Avia. 87 1/2
Beth. Steel 86 1/2
Caterpillar Tract. 45 1/2
Chrysler 45 1/2
Curtiss-Wright 8 1/2
Douglas Airt. 67 1/2
DuPont 158 1/2
Gen. Elec. 28 1/2
Gen. Foods 38 1/2
Gen. Mot. 32 1/2
Int. Harvest 47 1/2
Kenaco 27 1/2
Monty Ward 27 1/2
No. ALI. Avn 13 1/2
North Amer. 10 1/2
Penny (J. C.) 7 1/2
Penna. R. R. 22 1/2
Phillips Pet 39 1/2
Radio 13 1/2
Soc. Pa. 13 1/2
Std. Brands 5
St. Oil Cal. 20 1/2
St. Oil N. J. 40 1/2
Trans. Amer. 4 1/2
Union Carb. 72 1/2
Unit. Aircraft 24 1/2
United Airtline 10 1/2
U. S. Steel 55 1/2

Pear Market Yesterday

Chicago, Jan. 12.—(AP)—(USDA)—Pears: 4 cars Oregon, 3 Washington arrived; 3 cars diverted; 9 cars on track; Oregon Anjou 720 boxes \$1.25-2.70, average \$1.85.

New York, Jan. 12.—(AP)—(USDA)—Pears: 12 cars arrived; one car California, 5 Oregon, 8 Washington unloaded; 5 cars on track; Oregon Anjou 1075 boxes extra fancy \$2.20-3.30, average \$2.91; 1025 boxes fancy \$2.00-3.25, average \$2.54; 100 boxes extra fancy floor tiers \$1.70-85, average \$1.75; 145 boxes fancy 1.40-75, average \$1.60; Rose 1720 boxes fancy \$1.15-3.15, average \$1.92; 2560 boxes No. 1, \$1.15-3.15, average \$1.97; 140 boxes top tiers \$1.65-3.60, average \$2.04; Comice 780 boxes extra fancy \$2.35-3.15, average \$2.85; 1110 boxes fancy \$2.10-3.10, average 2.46; Anjou 65 half-boxes extra fancy \$1.35-30, average \$1.39.

DAVIS HEADS NEW WAR LABOR BOARD

Washington, Jan. 13.—(AP)—A 12-man war labor board, headed by William H. Davis and armed with authority to submit labor disputes to binding arbitration, superseded the defense mediation board today in the job of settling disagreements between workmen and management, anywhere in the nation's gigantic industrial machine.

The new board, created yesterday by executive order of President Roosevelt, will absorb all of the functions and most of the employees of the board it replaces. The war labor board is an outgrowth of the recent industry labor conference in Washington which agreed to end strikes and lockouts during the war and to settle all disputes by peaceful means.

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