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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Residents of timbered areas

hereabouts, upon learning of the

expected fuel famine next winter,

fear they will have to

come to town to get warm.

Reports from upstate indicate

a number of Fifth Columnist

dogs have started sabotaging

Victory gardens.

The esteemed Bend Bulletin

rises to ask if the report Gen.

Homma of the Nipponese army

in the Philippines committed

"harmicide," can be classed as

"Hommicide."

The local social whirl has

been adorned and enlivened by

the arrival of a number of

charming gals from the Frisco

Bay area. Some handle a cigar-

ette like they had a dead rat

by the tail.

YE ED BOILS

(Corvallis Gazette-Times)

"Some day enough of us

will get mad enough to go

down to the legislature and

clean out a whole lot of school

excesses which are now

nothing but waste on the edu-

cational program."

Removal of traffic buttons to

save tires is advocated and

under way in many cities. Here

is something the most daren-

dous speed idiot, for all his

reckless intrepidity, has never

been able to knock loose.

News is scarce anent the

Portland ball team. The out-

look, however, is so dark it

shines, in the gloom—synthetic,

or otherwise, enfolding the

world. There isn't a pitcher

with any more prospects than a

British general in the Orient.

Cuffless pants for males has

a loophole. They can buy a pair

of overalls too long in the legs,

and turn up to suit.

DRY SERMON ANTIDOTE

(Eugene News)

"If you are mentally un-

equal to wrestling with the

finer points of theology, per-

mit me to suggest an "out."

Some Sunday when your spir-

itual advisor is bent on giv-

ing you technical points in

Roses for "Rosy!"

So "Rosie" has quit the S. P. and retired!

It will be about as easy for the community to adjust itself to this startling announcement, as if Roxy Anhe should suddenly decide to move to the other side of Crater Lake.

For through the many years, "Rosey" alias A. S. Rosenbaum, has become something more than a faithful and obliging representative of the Southern Pacific; he has become a local INSTITUTION.

And a very important and comforting institution, not only in his special field of rail transportation, but in every conceivable movement of a progressively civic nature, as well as in the more intimate realm of personal relationships, particularly that of promoting amity among the younger generation.

YES it is hard to see how the "valley" can get along without "Rosey". It is even harder to see how the S. P. can survive.

For it is this department's considered opinion that no soulless corporation in human history ever had a more faithful servant, and more invaluable contact man than the Southern Pacific has had in A. S. Rosenbaum, during the past thirty or forty years.

The record in our judgment is unique! For during all that time, no public utility serving Southern Oregon has been more UNpopular with the people than the selfish and reactionary S. P., while no CITIZEN has PERSONALLY been MORE POPULAR with the SAME people than its kindly and public-spirited representative, A.S.R.

THAT isn't any swan-song apple sauce.

It happens to be literally true.

It is equally true, that while "Rosey", throughout his service invariably acted on the principle the customer is always right, while he worked his head off night and day, to give the best possible service to this community in every conceivable way, there was never the slightest deviation in his 100% loyalty and devotion to the corporation he served, which resolutely refused to follow any such enlightened course; in fact with apparent deliberation adopted an exactly contrary one.

NOW we maintain that is SOME achievement!

And we don't care who may achieve it,—when the achiever decides to call it a day, he deserves what we venture to say the master he has served so devotedly and unselfishly all these years, will never give him:

A special vote of thanks, and a rose-entwined accolade impressed upon his serene and unwrinkled brow!

The Better Way

Admiral Hart's remarks at Secretary Knox's press conference yesterday were refreshing.

We wonder why similar candor, has not been observed from the same source, heretofore.

Only three or four weeks ago, at a similar press conference, it was soberly stated, that while the sneak Jap attack at Pearl Harbor was damaging, damage reports had been exaggerated, there was nothing particularly devastating about it, while the naval losses of Japan in Macassar Straits and their own mandated islands, more than made up for it, in tonnage and in men.

The remainder of the period was devoted almost exclusively to recounting the vast superiority of the U. S. aviation arm, over that of Japan, the ratio in fatalities ranging from ten to one, to twenty to one, the natural conclusion being that a hundred U. S. planes would be more than a match for a thousand Japs, anywhere, anytime.

THE conference news made the front pages, but in the press gallery, the opinion was freely expressed that instead of giving out the facts, the department had decided the situation called for a hand-out of canned propaganda.

Admiral Hart, former commander of the U. S. Asiatic fleet just returned from the scene of conflict, wasted no time in propaganda,—in mincing matters nor sugar coating the pill.

He frankly stated the United States has suffered defeat in the first round against Japan, and as frankly gave the reason: superior power in the air.

The big job for the United States, therefore, he declared, is to overcome this superior air power (which with American superiority of facilities of production certainly can be done), assume the offensive, and "with more ships, more guns, more everything" go out "and win this war!"

NOW we maintain, facing the situation as it is, and telling the truth about it, as Admiral Hart has done, is far more beneficial, far better "PROPAGANDA" if you please, than the sort of thing that was dished out from the same source in February and has been dished out so often before

When the Tide Turns

Meanwhile, as all sport experts will admit, the underdog role is a great aid in final victory.

It is hard to take of course, but the plain truth is, the United States today is the "underdog" in the Far East conflict, with General MacArthur's "hold-out" as the only approach to an important victory.

But this is also true. As Admiral Hart points out not only have Japan's losses been tremendous, but even more important, as the fight goes on, Japan can't help but get weaker and weaker, the United States STRONGER AND STRONGER.

AND what is true of Japan and the United States, is also true of the Axis and the allies as a

whole,—the former bound to grow weaker, the latter with overwhelming natural resources, similarly bound to grow steadily stronger.

And when the point is reached,—as ultimately it MUST be,—where the superiority Admiral Hart deplores no longer holds, then the importance of that underdog role will come in.

When the turn of the tide DOES set in, and the underdog becomes the TOP-dog, watch the ex-top dog crumble!

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.

HOME MADE RESPIRATOR

An epidemic of infantile paralysis brought twelve children to a hospital in northern Michigan where there was one respirator.

Twelve children needed the help of a respirator. One of the trustees of the hospital turned his private machine shop into a respiratory laboratory. Cabinet makers and machinists immediately set to work and within a few hours were able to complete workable respirators and deliver them to the hospital. They made the first respirator out of two gasoline drums welded together and fitted with a hand manipulated valve. For thirty-six hours volunteer women of the community worked the hand valves constantly until an automatic valve could be constructed. The home-made respirators were attached by hose to the one available respirator in the hospital as trailers.

The trustees who thus solved the problem of providing the twelve children with the great assistance of a respirator in an emergency where only one could have been given the boon otherwise, Mr. M. K. Reynolds, prepared a complete set of drawings with instructions for building such home made respirators. Mr. Reynolds says such respirators can be made within a few hours in any school manual training shop, should an emergency occur. The home made respirator is not intended to take the place of the standard respirators now available in many hospitals but certainly offer a means of taking care of such emergencies.

Mr. Reynolds has authorized publication of a pamphlet giving complete drawings and specifications for building the respirator. A copy of the pamphlet may be obtained for 10 cents by writing to the Council of Physical Therapy, American Medical Association, Chicago, Ill. The pamphlet is entitled "The Better Way".

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Prospect

Prospect, March 12—(Special)—Chauncey Arant, night fireman for the George L. Jantzer Lumber Co., met with a painful accident Friday morning, when his clothing caught in the shaft of the dry kiln engine and tore off his coat before throwing him clear, with a dislocated arm.

He blew the mill whistle, to summon help, and was taken to Medford for medical treatment. Mr. Peterson from Shady Cove has taken over his work.

Mrs. E. E. Fradrick, Jr., entertained the Prospect bridge club at her home at the Copco plant, Thursday. High and low score prizes were awarded to Mrs. James H. Grieve and Mrs. Floyd Kelley, respectively. Mrs. L. Rogers substituted for Mrs. Dean Tate, who is a patient at the Sacred Heart hospital at Medford. Others attending were Mrs. Elmer Clemens, Mrs. Mary Grieve, Mrs. Earl Ulrich and Mrs. Wallace Dinkens.

A number of local people went to Medford to see the local boys, who were drafted in the army, off on the troop train, early Monday morning. Among those leaving from this locality were Halter and Otto Carroll, John Fairchild, and Harold Kludt, Burton Train, from Medford, who also left, is a former Prospect boy, and a graduate of the local high school. Beuben Moore, who has worked on the maintenance crew for the Crater Lake highway, for a number of years, quit last week, and has accepted work as fireman for the Goetsch Lbr. Co. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wright of Tracy, Calif., spent last week visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Tiede, at Herman's camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Glines were called to Santa Ana, Calif., March 3, by the death of the former's father. They were accompanied by their daughter, Miss Mary, son-in-law, daughter, and grandson. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Johnson and Gordon.

Returning from Ashland Saturday, where they had attended and participated in the basketball tournament, were the Prospect high school players, including Elcho and Bob Redding, Bob Dickey, Eugene Dunagan.



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Kelly's Comment

From Washington, D. C.

Fur Farmers Hit

By War Frugality

Guns and Shells

Eat Up Taxes

Alpha Cellulose

Plans Revived

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., March 12.

Fur farmers of the northwest (their investment probably represents \$6,000,000) find themselves in the embarrassing predicament of having thousands of pelts to sell with almost no market, as furs are not considered necessary to war. In one county (Tillamook) there are 71 ranches which produced this year 30,000 mink skins. In Oregon there are probably 70,000 mink skins on the market which, originally, would represent \$1,500,000.

Farm raised mink skins which have been "stickers" at previous sales, moved to the extent of 42,000 of the 54,000 pelts in the sale of the Seattle Fur Exchange in February. This interest in mink was quite a change and while prices were below those of last year, the fine extra large mink pelts sold for from \$15 to \$19 and ordinary skins at \$9 to \$13. Farm raised mink fur is now selling about 10 percent below last year's prices.

The coast section of the northwest states is particularly adapted to fur farming due to natural conditions, such as food and climate. The fur farms are found from northern section of Washington to lower Oregon, with invasions in the Columbia river region. These farmers are wondering what is to become of their business in which so much money is invested in breeding stock, plant and equipment.

FISH and Wildlife service says that the problem arising out of the war which affect fur farmers were called to their attention at the annual meeting in Seattle last August. The principal trouble is speculation. Last June the demand for fur apparel was great and stores ordered much more than in 1940. Prices were too high, and when the 10 percent excise tax was added a strong customer resistance developed. Dealers found themselves "stuck" in the last three months of last year.

Someone started the report among the trappers and collectors that prices for raw fur would be fancy. Later, however, the raw fur dealers refused to purchase at the extravagant prices and this attitude was reflected throughout the industry, and came the slump. At present, according to the government bureau of market reports, there is a buying movement at reduced prices. The steady demand for fur coats is attributed to reduction in retail prices and to a desire to meet future conditions. There appears to be a good supply of wild-caught mink furs at lower prices than the farm-raised mink and many customers are purchasing the former.

A BATTERY of four 3-inch anti-aircraft guns will soon be hidden away in spots along the northwest coast ready to plop explosives into an enemy plane. One gun will shoot 25 rounds a minute, or 100 rounds for the battery. To shoot these guns it costs \$22.37 for one round. If it costs Uncle Sam (which it does) \$1 an hour for each person working on ammunition for the anti-aircraft guns, one hour's blast represents the labor of 134,000 men. This would equal the combined effort for a single hour of all the population of Bellingham, Everett, Olympia and Yakima; the combined effort of the people of Albany, Salem, Eugene, Pendleton, The Dalles and Bend.

Take the .50 caliber gun which shoots 600 per minute (every fifth one a tracer) and can pierce a 1.5-inch steel plate. Cost of ammunition for one hour is \$5,000, or three times the annual income of millions of American taxpayers. This gun will require the labor of 5,000 men for one hour each to keep it in ammunition, and it is being produced by the hundreds of thousands and will be fired regardless. Before censorship cracked down the output of these .30 caliber shells was one million an hour.

Here is where some of your

tax money is going: a heavy bomber of four engines costs \$500,000 (with armament \$750,000); a heavy submarine costs \$6,000,000; a light tank \$27,000; medium tank \$67,000, and the heavy tank, with only one built to date, \$114,000.

Time fuses for heavy ordnance, to be produced by the million, have a mechanism like a watch and the fire control costs more than the gun. That is where the tax money is going.

THERE is an insufficient amount of cotton linters for the manufacture of smokeless powder. Government is in the market for alpha cellulose, which might be obtainable from some of the wood pulp mills in Oregon and Washington. At one time the government was so anxious to obtain a supply that it had experts working on blueprints for a plant and looking for a suitable site. One site that attracted was in the northwest corner of Washington, another near the confluence of the Columbia and Willamette. So far as known, this plan is pigeonholed, but other plans of two years ago, supposed to have been abandoned, are coming to life.

News Behind The News

by Paul Mallon

(Continued From Page One)

WRATH is rising in the war department at delay in getting new air fields started, weeks and months after the decision to build them has been announced. Temperature around air corps headquarters here is so high that the staff has been warned, upon threat of court-martial, not to talk.

All types of red tape, resulting from conflicting authority between the air corps and engineers, is responsible in some instances. Projects involved: Rapid City, Pueblo, Klamath Falls, Richmond (Va.), Topeka, Lampoc Maria (Cal.), Greenville (S. C.), Hattiesburg (Miss.), Fort Worth, Spokane.

Congress appropriates money for the fields and then the army decides the exact site. This decision is generally announced through senators and representatives, in order that they may get publicity back home.

But politics about the choice of local land sometimes becomes involved. Then the air corps and engineers are supposed to inspect the site and agree on installations, but agreement has not been easy.

It has been four months since the Greenville project was announced, three months since Lampoc Maria, two since Pueblo, Rapid City and Richmond—yet work has not started.

In another case, the army planned a field at Vero Beach, Fla., but the navy claimed this was too near one of its fields, and forced the army to move 25 miles south to Ft. Pierce.

Jehovah Minister Now Facing Jail

Los Angeles, March 12—(AP)—Theodore W. Veuhoff, Inglewood, was convicted in federal court yesterday of failing to report at Cascade Locks in lieu of induction into the army.

Veuhoff claimed exemption on the ground he was a minister of Jehovah's Witnesses.

A camp for conscientious objectors is located at Cascade Locks.

Use Mail Tribune west side.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

March 12, 1932

(It was Saturday)

Underworld agent says Lindbergh baby safe, but refuses to divulge source of information. Prohibition issue left squarely at President Hoover's door, but turn in political winds frets G.O.P.

German voters choosing between Paul von Hindenburg, dedicated to preservation of German republic and Adolf Hitler, advocate of its overthrow.

Cloudy with probable rain. High 59, low 38 degrees.

Local weekly closed as libel suit judgment filed. Spirit of agitation sweeps county.

American Legion to hold St. Patrick's Day dance.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

March 12, 1922

(It was Sunday)

Many farmers attend tractor school at Gates Auto company.

"Ben Ellis is detained at home by a mixture of flu and farm work"—(Applegate Items.)

Roseburg high basketball team en route here for game with Ashland is arrested for speeding near Gold Hill. Ashland defeats Medford, 37 to 29, in playoff game at Ashland.

Primary election ballots for the Chamber of Commerce are sent out.

Marshal Joffre of France to visit America in April.

Worst of panic is over, and business improves throughout the nation.

More showers. High 54, low 37 degrees.

Rogue River School Budget Drawn With Boost for Teachers

Rogue River, March 12.—(Sp.)—At a recent meeting of the budget committee of Rogue River public schools a budget for the school year beginning July 1, 1942, and ending June 30, 1943, was prepared.

The committee's policy was to reduce expenditures in supplies, maintenance and repairs, capital outlay and auxiliary agencies, and to increase the appropriations for personal services including both instructional and non-instructional. Five salaries were adjusted to a new higher base, and then the entire new staff was given a 10 percent increase over the adjusted base. It is expected that most of the present employees will sign contracts for next year.

The budget committee, it was reported, expressed satisfaction in the policies of the administration, which has made possible a curtailment in maintenance and repair expenses and other non-instructional costs. During the past four years all replacement of furniture and equipment and all new purchases have been carefully selected and purchased with thought toward permanent and continuous use.

Members of the freshman orientation class, with their instructor, Walter V. Dennis, worked on the preparation of sand bags for use in equipping the school building with fire fighting equipment. Already 24 forty-pound bags of dry sand are located in strategic places in the building. Two new water pumps, four barrels of water, eight new water buckets, and two chemical fire fighting tanks have been purchased and located in the building.

INVENTOR BOSCH DIES

Berlin—(from German broadcasts)—March 12—(AP)—Robert A. Bosch, 80, German inventor, industrialist and founder of the Bosch manufacturing firm, died today after a short illness at Stuttgart, where his firm made the well known Bosch magneto and other automotive machinery.

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