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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Italy is reported desirous of

negotiating a separate peace.

She already seems to have it, as

far as doing anything warlike is

concerned.

Fourteen Portlandites paid

fines for jaywalking, and ap-

proved the punishment. A more

simpler plan would be to just

pay the fine and take no chances

on a jaydriver.

British Commandos invading

France did so in black-face, ala

minstrel show. It would be

tough to get caught and no soap

to wash up with.

To curb inflation the govern-

ment proposes to "stagger

prices." Hit 'em a good swat,

as they have been staggering

the purchasers long enough.

MEANING GRASS PANTS

(Salem Statesman)

"This newspaper is always

careful though not always suc-

cessful, in avoiding designation

of townspeople as 'Salem-

ites.' To us, whether or not

you agree, it just doesn't

sound complimentary. To us,

by the same token, reference

by the Grants Pass Courier to

the people of that city as

'GeePees' seems a bit out of

line."

Yesterday, via London, came

the blood-chilling word of a

reign of terror swept Madagascar,

and hell was popping, fore, aft

and amidship. The Free French

were under arrest and the Ni-

pionese were coming to threaten

the supply lines of the United

Nations. A gloomy picture

fraught with ill was painted.

Then came word from Madagas-

car "life was normal" and noth-

ing much was doing. There,

my friends, was a mess of over-

cooked propaganda.

The Oregon beaches will re-

main open to the public. Can-

didates can now see Nipp U-

boats offshore, with the picture

of their leading rival tacked on

the bridge.

A phosphorus plant sched-

uled for The Dalles, Ore., has

been shifted to Mobile, Ala., by

virtue of a slick political trick.

Honey-chile! Don't you all get

mad at we-uns c'ase you-all

nevah votes right!

The weatherman continues to

put his best foot backwards.

The "war of survival," the

presidential choice as a name

for the current world fracas, is

regarded as not so hot, even by

Young Democrats. The public

wants a name with a whoop and

a growl in it. They can fall

back on the alphabet again, and

call it the R.H.O.D.—Root hog

—or die!

The Texas amateur astrolo-

ger who prophesied Herr Hitler

would kick the bucket and turn

up his toes yesterday, hit upon

a good idea, but did not hit hard

enough. Such guessing is wor-

thy of success, and is the proper

spirit through a fizzle.

NO SHINDIG!

A statement published in

last week's Star and Wave to

the effect that guests at a

party given by Miss Mary

Jane Smith last week enjoyed

dancing was incorrect, ac-

cording to the hostess' mother,

Mrs. Ernest Smith. The Star

and Wave takes this means of

correcting the error and of-

fering its apologies to Mrs.

Smith and her daughter.—

(Cape May Wave and Star).

Closing time for Classified Ads 9

a. m.—Too late to classify 12:30

p. m.

War vs. Business

"Business as usual," is out.

It should be. In a war like this,—indeed in any modern war,—NORMAL business can not be carried on.

On the other hand, we can't believe the abandonment of business as usual MUST mean the abandonment of business entirely!

BUT that is what it appears to mean, more and more as time goes on. Many small business firms in Southern Oregon have already been forced to close. Others not so small are barely hanging on. And the reason? Business is good but they can't get goods to sell.

What are we heading for? All around bankruptcy for ALL business not directly engaged in the war effort? (And here in Southern Oregon it should not be forgotten, the real war industries can be counted on the fingers of one hand.)

WE realize this is a delicate subject.

The country is up to the neck in a war for survival. Nothing,—absolutely NOTHING—should be allowed to interfere in any way with that war effort.

But can't we do EVERYTHING that MUST be done, without driving business as a whole,—particularly small business,—into insolvency?

THAT'S the question.

Frankly we don't know.

But we DO know this: if the present destructive tenancy is not soon checked, we will have in the MIDST of war, an economic business disaster of major proportions.

If such a tragedy can't be avoided without weakening our all-out war effort,—ok, it MUST be done.

No loss in merely material wealth is too high a price to pay, to save this world from Hitler-Japanese domination.

BUT does the present administration KNOW it CAN'T be?

We believe the time has come for some intensive research concerning this vital problem.

The administration has the brains, the machinery and should be able to find the time.

Let the powers that be clear up the atmosphere, definitely determine if some practical way to fight a war on one hand, and avoid a devastating economic collapse on the other, CAN'T be found.

There is no time to lose.

Small areas of the economic structure are already starting to crumble. Therefore next to the actual fighting, the most critical problem facing the country at the present time, as we see it, is the problem of so synchronizing PEACE business with WAR business, small business with big business, that victory can be won without destroying our established economic system.

'The Best Laid Plans of Mice—'

One of the most notable editorials Arthur Brisbane wrote in the days when he was one of the Elder Statesmen of journalism and wrote a column of miscellany every day, had to do with the vitality and persistence of a mouse. Within the last two weeks I have had opportunity to verify Mr. Brisbane's findings, without having to drown the mouse, as I believe he finally did.

Rearranging things in the garage, I noticed that the lid on a wooden tub of bone meal fertilizer was askew. When I started to straighten it a mouse hopped out, gave me a minuscule dirty look, and vanished under the place where the garden swing was stored. In the bone meal tub I found a neat mouse nest all ready, but not yet inhabited by baby mice. I destroyed it and put the lid firmly on the tub.

Tuesday night I ran the car into the garage as usual, and Wednesday morning the daughter and I started to town as usual. At the road intersection Louise Spicer was waiting for her bus and looking as if she had missed it, so we pulled up and offered her a lift. The moment she stepped into the back of the car she said, not in the least hysterically, "There's a mouse—it's gone into the front of the car."

I looked down, and there was the mouse. I dabbed at it, and it went into the back of the car. The girl dabbed at it, and it came front again, where it vanished under the edge of the seat as I dabbed at it once more. We couldn't find it, back or front, so I got out and lifted the front seat. Under it, among the tools, was a mouse's nest, out of which the mouse hopped, gave me the same dirty look I remembered, and slid into the back of the car. The girls got it by the tail and tossed it into the grass.

I put the seat in place and drove on into town, wondering, as I still wonder, how long the mouse has been commuting from my home to town in its little nest; also I regret the unavoidable circumstances which will make the mouse's husband wonder what has become of his home. Sometimes a wife runs out on her husband, but not often does she take the house with her.—Dean Collins in Oregon Journal.

CORSET ELASTIC
FACES NEW CUT

Washington, April 24.—(P)—The war production board today reduced by about 50 per cent the amount of elastic fabric that may be used in each corset, girdle, combination and brassiere, and cut the output of manufacturers by 25 per cent.

The action was taken to make

existing supplies of elastic fabric last as long as possible since a freeze order prevent the making of any additional elastic thread or rubber yarn.

GAS USE HOLDS UP

Salem, April 24.—(P)—Gasoline consumption in Oregon during March totaled 22,332,700 gallons, only 13,678 gallons less than during March 1941, the state department said today. Total for the first three months of 1942 was 59,583,036 gallons, an increase of 469,289 gallons over the similar period of 1941.

Use Mail Tribune want ads.

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.

TO KNOW OR NOT TO KNOW

24 hours before wearing. Repeat this once a week.

A few years ago you gave directions for use of alum to prevent and relieve chills. Tried it out up north and found it effective. Have mislaid directions and forget how much to use. (E. A. K.)

Answer—To relieve itching and smarting bathe the surface with tepid water, then dry by pressing with soft towel and powder freely with simple or borated talcum powder.

Piles
Following instructions in your pamphlet I obtained prompt relief, after having used all sorts of "pile cures" without result. Today the piles are gone, no more pain, or bleeding. I am grateful to you. (M. H.)

Answer—On request the pamphlet "It is Stupid to Suffer from Piles" will be sent any reader who provides a stamped envelope bearing his address. (Copyright 1942, John F. Dille Co.)

Kelly's
Comment

From Washington, D. C.

Shark Industry
Interests SolonsReclamation To
Help War EffortLumber Needed
For Far Bases

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., April 24.—Congressional eyes bugged out when members were told that fishermen on the west coast are making several hundred dollars a day catching soupfin sharks and selling the livers. Charles E. Jackson, assistant director of fish and wildlife service, related that he saw a boat come in after four days at sea with a catch that sold for \$27,000. The sharks, it was explained, are a new source of vitamin A, and with this particular vitamin somewhat scarce (no longer imported from Japan or Norway), the price of the shark liver is remarkable.

Ten trillion units of vitamin A are wanted for the British under the lend-lease act. Profitable source of the vitamin is the soupfin shark on the northwest coast. The liver is about one fourth the weight of the shark and is processed in California. Fishermen began catching the shark last year and it has developed into an industry. From Port Orford north shark catching is almost as important as tuna fishing. No study has been made of the soupfin shark by fish and wildlife service, but no fear is expressed that the species will be exterminated under the current drive. The Chinese for centuries have been making soup of the fins of this particular shark and so far as known it is not a man-eater.

Other fish are being experimented with the seek additional sources of vitamin A. The experiments are being conducted by private interests under supervision of the federal government.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Potassium

Recently you had an item under caption "Allergic to Potassium," but the answer referred to an entirely different topic. Please discuss this again. (Mrs. L. T. D.)

Answer—Thank you. It was an error or mix-up of captions. A correspondent asked whether a person might be allergic to potassium chloride. I meant to question that possibility, as I have never heard of such sensitivity. Potassium chloride in solution (not tablet or powder) well diluted is a grateful remedy for allergic reactions in many instances. On request, if you provide stamped envelope bearing your address, I am glad to send a copy of "Relief for Allergy."

Sweating Feet

Please give directions for use of formaldehyde to prevent excessive sweating of the feet. (J. E.)

Answer—Spray insides of shoes with solution of one part of standard Liquor Formaldehyde (37.5% strength) in six parts water, and let shoes stand, in sun if possible, to dry for

RECLAMATION Commissioner John Page says that reclamation will play an important part in war preparations. In

the first place, the department of agriculture asks for an increase in dairy products and the western states are stepping up their cows by 200,000. The cattle require more alfalfa, and this crop is a specialty on reclamation projects. The commission says that the sugar beet grower can meet the sugar situation if given an opportunity. Seventy per cent of the two million tons of sugar produced domestically last year came from a dozen states. There are 29 reclamation projects in 12 states producing sugar beets. Of the dozen states Idaho, Oregon and Washington loom large.

APPROPRIATION for the reclamation bureau for the fiscal year 1943 have been given to projects where power is developed. Stress is laid on power, the explanation being that it is impossible to produce too much electricity for the war effort. Projects, under way, which have no power have received no money for the coming year. The principal purpose of the reclamation bureau is being set aside, for the irrigation has been the first objective on all projects. Now it is hydroelectric power and reclamation is secondary. This shift in policy was made by the director of the budget, and as the budget director never does anything without the approval of the president, the emphasis on power instead of irrigation comes with the highest indorsement.

Not a nickel was appropriated for the Deschutes project, nor the Payette, for the budget director turned thumbs down. However, Commissioner Page has enough for these projects in unexpended funds to carry on construction work for another year. Project investigations will continue in 1943 at Kennewick, Hanford, and a basin-wide study between Green and Puyallup, in Washington, and at Medford, Talent, Sams Valley, Merlin, Pendleton, Clear Lake, Walla Walla (basin-wide), John Day (basin-wide) and five projects in Willamette valley.

ONE of the very large contracts for lumber had three big operators of the northwest in competition for the government

order a few days ago. Two of the operators bid on the cream of the order, ignoring the less profitable material. The third bidder specified "all or nothing," and he received the prize. It will require many vessels from Columbia river and Puget sound to handle this lumber, which is intended for American bases overseas, and the trees milled into the lumber will leave a large gap in the forests of the northwest.

NELSON Rockefeller, in charge of the good neighbor policy, will send a million radios to South America, as was proposed. That was vetoed.

State fire marshals continue probe of fruit packing house district blaze here, and clues point to incendiaryism.

Close to 18,000 voters register for primary election and figure amazes.

Marriages and divorces show decline in county past year.

Showers predicted. Warm rains in hills melts snow. High 57, low 44.

Rural gunplay leads to arrest of pistol toter.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
April 24, 1922
(It was Tuesday)

Smallpox scare on Thompson Creek.

President Harding undecided whether he will veto bonus bill.

Tokyo is shattered by earthquake and many killed by falling buildings. Yokohama is destroyed.

Parents and "dollar chasing" blamed by Episcopal church "for way the younger generation is acting."

Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson County
History from the files of the Mail
Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
April 24, 1932
(It was Sunday)

Adolf Hitler's national socialist party, at diet elections shows great political strength.

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150.00	25.75	154.50	4.50
200.00	34.33	206.00	6.00
300.00	51.50	309.00	9.00
400.00	68.67	412.00	12.00
500.00	85.83	515.00	15.00

Cash You Receive	You Repay Monthly	Total You Repay	Cash You Save
\$100.00	\$8.83	\$106.00	\$6.00
200.00	17.67	212.00	9.00
300.00	26.50	318.00	18.00
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