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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The latest regulation wrinkle are fuel coordinators to solve next winter's heating needs. Fuel coordinators, to get the best results, should be appointed in pairs, and told to coordinate on the respective ends of a cross-cut saw.

Rostock, a Nazi war industry city, was bombed and blasted two nights in a row by British fliers, in the most gigantic air raids of the war. It recalls the early days of the fracas, when RAF planes unleashed thousands of propaganda handbills to clutter up enemy territory. Bomb shell holes in the main streets of German cities are the best propaganda. It gives the 'misled' citizens of the Reich some thing to contemplate, instead of cheer.

Lincoln county, Oregon democrats underwent a four-hour rally last week. This is rare gluttony for punishment. All came out of the inquisition still firm in the faith, and starry-eyed.

CIVIC MOAN

(Klamath Falls Herald)

"Crater Lake National park offices are at Medford; Rogue River national forest offices are at Medford; the CCC headquarters for this district was located at Medford; the federal district court for this section meets at Medford—AND MEDFORD IS NOT EVEN IN THIS CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT."—(From candidate's ad)

The 'War of Survival,' the presidential choice of a monicker for the struggle, has not swept the nation like wildfire, all editorial comment indicates. It lacks something. It is suggested it be amended to read: 'War of Survival—Not for the Axis.'

There is no Sgt. York to capture 132 of the foe in one fell swoop, as in 1918. What is needed is a hero to catch Herr Hitler, and pick up Pierre Laval of France, en route to his commanding officer and fame.

Sportsmen report the cantonment has spoiled pheasant hunting on the desert. It will be just as well if hunters go elsewhere to shoot 'No Trespassing' signs next fall.

The C. Wig Ashpole boy was nine yrs. old Sat. A bunch of the boys from the Roosevelt school came over and helped him make the welkin ring.

No mention can be made of the weather, under war regulations, but what it takes to make May flowers fell.

Science is working on a scheme for an adequate diet for parachute troops can be made out of cellulose, leaves and grass. It is all right if the parachutists eat the grass on the rural lawns, but they mustn't stray into the lower 40, as the farmer might want to cut it for hay.

Stargazers report Herr Hitler will meet defeat in May, and death before the end of the year, from their reading of the stars. It begins to look like Adolf was already seeing stars, but has no time to read them.

"A Missourian figures he has saved \$950 by not having had a shave in 57 years, but hasn't the \$950. So much economy is like that."—(Oregonian)—Twas ever thus.

Use Mail Tribune when you can.

Subjugated Peoples Growing Restive as Crucial Battle Near

By DeWitt Mackenzie, Wide World War Analyst.

As the time draws near for the joining of the crucial battle of the Hitlerian conflict, there emerges the possibility that this armageddon may see uprisings in many places by the invisible army of the subjugated peoples.

Should this happen on an extended scale—and it might—it likely would produce bloody chaos in the affected areas. The fury of a revolting populace, even though lacking proper arms, can be very terrible.

Word long ago was spread throughout the conquered countries by allied radio and by underground telegraph that the hour of deliverance would come, and the V-for-victory symbol became a flaming torch of hope. Indeed, the campaign inspired so much premature violence that the British began urging these Hitler-ridden folk to hold their peace until the signal came for an uprising. It has been hard to keep them in hand, for the yoke of bondage has been cruel.

Call To Prepare Now Going Out

But now suddenly Britain's "Colonel Britton"—the radio voice which has been fostering and guiding the V-for-victory army on the continent—has electrified his hearers by calling on them to prepare for united action. Probably within six weeks, says the spectral "Colonel," the sign will be given for the civilian uprising. Meanwhile the people are lay plans to do the greatest possible damage to the Nazis by sabotage and other means.

Already France, Belgium, Norway, Holland and the countries of eastern Europe have given us many grisly examples of what the invisible army can accomplish. Almost every day adds to the list. Mysterious hands have been reaching out of the darkness of the night to snatch the lives of Germans. Even broad daylight has brought its swiftly moving assassinations. Troop trains have been wrecked, and bombs have been thrown. In short, there have been constant sabotage and killings despite the warnings from "Colonel Britton" to go slowly and not arouse Nazi ire until the time is ripe.

That the Nazis see the danger is shown by their wholesale executions of hostages in an effort to terrify the populations into submission. Poland and other countries have charged the Germans with great massacres. But slayings have only made the fire of hatred burn hotter.

Time of Eruption Within Few Weeks

Fear that unrest might even boil up in his own country was indicated in Hitler's reichstag speech yesterday. His demand for obedience from the people carried a note of grave concern to the ears of expert radio observers in London.

Just when the all-out allied-axis clash will come is still a matter of conjecture. Probably "Colonel Britton's" guess that the volcano will erupt in six weeks or less is a fair one. Of course, whatever else happens, the titanic Russo-German battle will increase in its bloody intensity as the ground dries and becomes suitable for a war of movement. Hitler said yesterday that "it will be in eastern Europe that this war will be decided"—and few would dispute that observation.

The trend of events depends considerably on whether the Muscovites are able to keep the ruler on the defensive along the eastern front. If that happens, and he finds himself unable to launch a big scale offensive against the Reds, we may see him lash out in some other direction, while holding his Russian line defensively.

Kelly's Comment

From Washington, D. C.

Ship Sinkings Top Building Munitions Wait Carrying Space

Mining For Gold To Be Discouraged

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., April 27.—With merchant ships being sunk faster than the yards in the United States can launch new vessels, some high ranking officials are looking askance at the maritime commission. There are not enough ships and not enough under contract to break the bottleneck. There is an increasing demand that the commission give work to new yards and furnish funds for new ways. The shortage is so severe that the commission has requisitioned every merchant vessel still in private ownership, but this is merely a stop-gap.

Back in 1937 Joe P. Kennedy, as chairman of the commission, made the first survey of the

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.

EXPOSURE I S EXPOSURE

School teacher sends an article on "Michigan Fever" which was published in the January, 1942, Michigan Education Journal. The medical author of the article says the common cold is taking its usual toll and is a somewhat called Michigan Fever. One child who has a cold comes to school coughs in the



faces of other pupils and the teacher... results are about 100 per cent exposure. What can you (teacher) do with him?

Now here is a bit of strange hygiene. The medical adviser goes on:

"What can you do with him? You can't send home every child who has a common cold, because in a very short time the school rooms would be bare. You cannot control after-school exposures such as wet feet."

First this medical or health adviser uses the term exposure in the scientific sense. Then he talks himself into a corner and gets out of it by using the term exposure in the Pickwickian sense.

This medical or health authority saves his conscience or saves his face by saying: "Most childhood contagious diseases start with an upper respiratory infection. Many times what is termed the common cold is the onset of something more severe."

For instance, suppose some child coming down with measles, scarlet fever, diphtheria or infantile paralysis comes to school with "what is termed the common cold." The child remains in school a day or two, peppers several other pupils with his infection, and in a short time there is an "outbreak" or epidemic and school room is bare.

This report just happens to come from Michigan. Probably there is no more confusion and malpractice concerning the prevention of respiratory infection in Michigan than there is in every other community in the country.

The medical or health adviser offers some stereotyped advice: "The best remedy is prevention by building up one's own resistance as far as possible and attempting to eliminate exposures."

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

(Continued From Page One)

lines are still carrying gasoline west. The Susquehanna line is still running west to Altoona and the Tuscarora from Bayonne to Midland and not much has been done about changing them. The third line from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh is in the process of being changed over, but the operation has not been completed.

THE eastern seaboard usually gets around 1,400,000 barrels a day of all kinds of oil including gasoline, light and heavy fuel, of this amount about 600,000 is coming in tank cars, and 150,000 by pipelines other than the three mentioned.

The rationing question, therefore, rests with what has been done to our tankers by Hitler and what might be done with the tankers still afloat by authorities here. If any considerable number of them should be diverted to other purposes, the rationing figures would decrease accordingly. If they had to be taken off entirely for any purpose, drastic rationing might be necessary.

MR. ROOSEVELT has created a White House cast of fictional characters which he interviews in private, with results given to the public by him. The last two have been described only as "sweet young things" but there was "a business man" before them and "an economist," and so on back into New Deal years.

The tales of them are always told by F.D.R. at his press conferences. They are always the straight men in the conversation. They always ask him the darndest questions and he devastates them with his replies.

The president often asks the newspapers to name the author for their statements, but he has adopted a contrary policy for his growing gallery or verbal straw men and young women (who so far have been both young and sweet). If the gallery gets any larger, someone is go-

let's Madhouse" in honor of F.D.R.'s information adviser.

The president did not want the poor business men running around Washington wearing out shoes. He wanted to give him a centrally located place to go and ask questions.

It now develops that this favor, which was not specifically authorized by congress, came from a suggestion dropped by one of those unidentified business men who came in to see him to complain of aching feet.

The trouble is the structure is just being completed, shoes may be rationed, and practically all the war contracts are let, or should be.



By Frank Jenkins

ONE of the American planes that bombed Japan the other day lost its way (presumably) and landed on Russian soil in Siberia.

It was promptly interned by the Russians—in accordance with international regulations.

(Note that the plane had FLOWN ON WESTWARD from Japan. To get back to a carrier, it would have had to return eastward. It is unlikely that the pilot got off his course that badly.)

NOTE the promptness of Russian adherence to strict neutrality as between the United States and Japan.

On April 13, less than two weeks ago, Pravda, official soviet newspaper, warned the Japs sharply to "hew to the line" of the Russian-Jap neutrality treaty, and added a warning that if they go on "blabbering" about war and invasion (of Siberia) they may get into serious trouble.

Having warned the Japs to remain neutral, the Russians are remaining carefully neutral themselves.

RUSSIA, obviously, doesn't want a fight with Japan at her back door while she has her hands full at the front door.

THE Jap reaction (for publication) to the bomber internment incident is interesting. It sounds like doves cooing in the budding trees in the warm springtime.

The Jap newspapers say placatingly there is "no reason why Japan and Russia should quarrel" and stress the fact that the two countries are technically at peace. And so on.

The Japs, who are pretty well spread out themselves, may not want war with Russia now. The bomber bases at Vladivostok are uncomfortably close.

Also they may be planning to stab Russia in the back a la Pearl Harbor. They have a habit of buttering up with honeyed

words those whom they plan to stab.

ONE guesses that the realistic Russians are not being greatly misled by Japan's sugary handling of the bomber landing affair.

LORD Beaverbrook, addressing the Bureau of Advertising of the American Newspaper Publishers association in New York, calls for creation by Great Britain of a "vast second front against Germany in Western Europe while Russia still holds the nazis in the east."

He says: "This is a chance, an opportunity, to bring the war to an end here and now. But if the Russians are defeated and driven out of the war, never will such a chance come to us again."

He concludes: "Strike out to help Russia. Strike out violently. Strike even RECKLESSLY."

NOTE that Beaverbrook speaks at about as public a place as he could find anywhere in the world—and his statements AREN'T censored. He is fairly shouting to Hitler to LOOK OUT for trouble in his rear about the time he gets into it good and deep with the Russians on the eastern front.

Hitler is being treated to the same kind of war of nerves he has been waging on his own account for the past two and a half years.

The purpose is to scare him into DIVIDING his forces at the critical moment of the war.

"Divide and conquer" has been Hitler's motto. He is getting it turned back on him at the present moment.

HE is shrewd enough, of course, to know what is going on. But he knows also that the British, with American help, are getting strong enough to DO SOMETHING.

He DOESN'T know when or where the blow will fall if it does fall. So he has to strengthen his defense lines from Norway to Spain.

That takes a lot of men and equipment which could otherwise be used to splendid advantage against the Russians.

NAPOLÉON'S downfall came when the forces arrayed against him finally became so numerous that whenever he turned from one front he ran into trouble on another.

That time is COMING to Hitler. It may be approaching now. (Don't forget, however, that Napoleon did a lot of turning and twisting before his fate finally caught up with him. The same will be true of Hitler.)

ROSEBURG ASKS UNIT

Roseburg, April 27.—(P)—Douglas County Judge D. N. Busenbark said today the county will seek congressional action to obtain a hospital building, formerly a unit of the old state soldiers' home, from the federal government.

STATE WAR OFFICE OPENS

Portland, April 27.—(P)—Opening of the state war industries office here to representatives of communities throughout the state was announced today by David Eccles, co-ordinator.

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 27, 1932

Gov. Roosevelt loses delegates in Massachusetts primary, and Smith forces gain victory.

Medford precincts have total of 6,302, an increase of 1,233 over two years. Gain attributed to many citizens who have not registered in years doing so.

Japanese start drive against Manchuria.

Unsettled and cloudy. High 48, low 35.

Candidate for legislature comes out with promises "to save the waters of Rogue river from Wall street and the power trust."

Bill Bolger named C. of C. president to succeed Hob Deuel, resigned.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

April 27, 1922

(It was Thursday)

Grand Goblin's office is raided in Los Angeles, and list of Klan members obtained.

William J. Bryan sent check to professor of botany in West Virginia university for answering questions in a recent address at Morgantown, with letter comment: It is worth \$100 to me to see a college professor guilty of cowardly evasion.

Directors to be elected for county fair in fall.

Medford urged to get "closer to the country people."

Continued fair; high 65, low 29.9 degrees.

Corset factory reports "only 65 per cent of women in land wear corsets."

Ye Poets Corner

Spring Whispering

This morning I saw white frost on the sill

Snow fingers grasped the top of one blue hill.

White pigeons circled in a dawn-pink sky

And white narcissus winked a golden eye.

So much of beauty all around my door

My foolish heart insistent, I implore

How can I feel the winter wind's sharp sting

With Nature's sly voice whispering of Spring?

Carma McCarty.

AIDS TIRE SAVING

Glendale, Mo. (U.P.)—Paul and Don Shumate, drug store operators in this St. Louis suburb, are working to save tires. Their store now acts as a clearing house for automobile owners who want to double up on trips to town. More than a score of motorists have registered.

Non-resident tourists entering Canada are required to obtain a gasoline license and ration coupon book, according to the Department of Commerce.

Have Your Answers Ready for Ration Registry

APPLICATION FOR WAR RATION BOOK (To be filled in by Registrant only)

IMPORTANT.—A separate application must be made by (or, where the Regulations permit, on behalf of) every person to whom a War Ration Book is to be issued. The separate applications for each and every member of a Family Unit (see Instructions to Registrant) must be made by one, and only one, adult member of such Family Unit.

Local Board No. _____ County _____ State _____

Application made at _____ (NAME OF PUBLIC BUILDING OR OTHER ADDRESS)

Date _____ 1942 Book One No. _____

I, NAME, ADDRESS, AND DESCRIPTION of person to whom the book is to be issued:

LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME

ADDRESS (including P. O. BOX) CITY OR TOWN

COUNTY STATE

AGE _____ SEX _____ (Male / Female)

I, (or If the person named above is a member of a Family Unit, state the following:

(1) Number of persons in Family Unit, including the person named above _____

(2) The person named above is my—

SELF FATHER MOTHER SIBLING WIFE HUSBAND EXCEPTED

(3) Total amount of white and brown sugar in any form which is issued by the Family Unit or its members _____ lbs.

(4) If the person named above is NOT a member of a Family Unit, state the total amount of white and brown sugar in any form which is issued by the person named above _____ lbs.

A Number of War Ration Stamps to be removed from War Ration Book One (upon the basis of information stated above): _____ (OF WHITE, BROWN SUGAR)

OPA FORM NO. R-301

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-58800-6 (Continued on reverse side)

Applicants for sugar rationing books are urged by the Office of Price Administration to study carefully the application card, illustrated above, and have the correct answers when they register on May 4, 5, 6 and 7. A separate application must be made for every person for whom a ration book is issued, but only one member of each family unit is to appear at the nearest elementary school to apply for all members of the family.

This is the biggest registration job ever undertaken in so limited a time in the United States. Within four days the nation, 139,000,000 men, women and children will be registered and will receive their ration books. To accomplish so big a job in that short space of time, the Office of Price Administration, which administers rationing, is urging every applicant for a ration book to come prepared with accurate information to all questions which the registrars will ask when filling out the application form.

If you answer these questions promptly OPA estimates it will only take four minutes to fill out this form. One and a quarter million school teachers will serve as registrars.

1. Applicants should come prepared with a list of the members of their families, giving the exact name of each.

2. An exact description of each member of the family unit, giving the height, weight, color of eyes, color of hair, age and sex of each one.

3. The person who registers for the family unit must state his or her exact relationship to each member of it.

4. It is necessary to know to the pound just how much sugar is in the possession of the household. The amount of sugar will be divided by the number of people in the family units and stamps will be torn out by the registrar for all sugar in excess of two pounds person. If more than four stamps have to be removed, issuance of the book will be withheld until later.

One—and only one—member of each family unit is to go to the elementary school nearest to the person's residence to register and to apply for ration books for the whole family. OPA emphasizes. Single people not members of a family unit, even if they board with a family, must apply for themselves.

A family unit has been defined by the Office of Price Administration as "a group of two or more individuals consisting of all persons who are living together in the same household who are related by blood or marriage."