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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The Nazis are reported prepared "to fight like wildcats" on the Russian front in a new offensive. This thing of complimenting the Nazis by comparing them with unsociable members of the animal kingdom should be stopped.

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A meadow-lark roosted on a telegraph company cable in front of the C.ofC. yes. a.m. and let fly with a sudden burst of song. This is a reflection on the boasted metropolitanism of this burg, and besides scared motorists worse than if a high school motorcyclist had sneaked up behind them and made his muffler imitiate the First Battle of the Marne.

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No trees are being chopped down this year to make room for service stations. With the fuel situation what it is, it looks like the service stations would have to be cut down and the remains swapped for wood.

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A declaration of war by America against Rumania, Hungary and Bulgaria looms. The three lands are puppets and putty of A. Hitler, and like Germany, mislead easily. This region never rubbed shoulders with any of the trio, though Bulgaria in the First World War figured. In the fall of 1916 old timers recall, the price of lots in Jacksonville threatened to go up because of the failure of the barley crop in Bulgaria.

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TO THE REAR, MARCH!
(Information Item)
"Qualifications—To be commissioned in the army of the United States applicants must possess high qualities of leadership and possess education or experience necessary to discharge the duties of an officer. There is no minimum educational qualifications required."

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A music critic of wide fame deplores the lack of interest in singing by men, individually and collectively. This is good judgment. The majority realize they can't, and are not mean enough to try it.

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An 82-year California woman has the mumps. She only missed the last week of school, and will enter junior high next fall.

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"MUST EXCHANGE—Youth's bed for what have you? Practically give away." — (Dorris News.)—A father makes up his mind that boy is going to get up.

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Neighbors of a Portland suburban gardener protest to the police, he whistles while he hoes. It has not been disclosed what he has to whistle about, and doubt has been expressed he does not hoe out his row.

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The Outdoor Girls, due to the exigencies of the weather hereabouts are six weeks behind with their sun-tans. Last year at this time the majority were brown as a nut and proud of it.

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"SECRETS OF STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE TOLD"—(Woman's Page Hdline)—Now and then, a strawberry is found secreted among the secrets.

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The gas rationing next winter will be more stringent, reports tell. This will stop indignant citizens marching to state legislatures in limousines.

Albert Spalding, the violinist, was a boxer in his youth.

Closing time for Classified Ads 5 p. m.—Too late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

Editorial Correspondence

Richmond, Va., May 29.—Tomorrow is Decoration Day. And on a residence directly across the street they have a Confederate flag hung out. On the other side of the porch is the American flag! May 29, 1942,—the stars and BARS on one side,—the stars and STRIPES on the other!

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We feel somewhat more charitable today, however,—perhaps because in the excellent T. Jefferson hotel we enjoyed a good night's sleep.

After all the rebellion (or the war between the states) or whatever you WISH to call it, down here was a crushing tragedy. It wasn't something our grandfathers fought for and won. It was something our grandfathers fought for,—and LOST! And that defeat not only ruined them all but determined their place in the world in the subsequent years.

Quite true the war was fought nearly 80 years ago, but right here in Richmond there are men—and women,—who took part in it. And their humble status in life is the result of it. For in that war most of them lost everything they had. So with their lives still determined by it, why should they forget it?

At any rate they HAVEN'T forgotten it,—and that is the outstanding fact that any visitor to Virginia from the north, runs into at the outset.

They talk about southern hospitality! But the traveller from the north not personally known below the Mason and Dixon line finds more warmth and hospitality on Park Avenue than he does on Broad Street, Richmond,—or we venture say, anywhere else in the south.

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The older gals would enjoy visiting John Marshall's house,—the famous Chief Justice.—for it is full of fine colonial antiques and Chippendales and china of rare color and design. John M. undoubtedly enjoyed his food and drink for the dining room outshines all other rooms in the house both in extent and attractiveness, while the wine closet confirms the report that the water in Richmond until very recent years wasn't fit to drink.

A very charming and interesting lady, just up from Jamestown is chatelaine at this establishment, and didn't seem disposed to resent tourists at 25 cents per head. There are many letters of John Marshall's on exhibition.

He must have been a nice old boy, devoted to his wife Polly who had poor health which aroused his constant concern.

"Dearest Polly" he wrote in 1829, "I can't control my uneasiness over your delicate health and do hope I may learn by return post that you are much better and soon will feel able to return home again."

It is astonishing how well the letters have been preserved, as far as legibility is concerned.

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Edgar Allen Poe spent more time in Richmond than anywhere else in the country,—which is nothing to boast about—but the shrine isn't where he lived, but was erected by various and sundry Poe enthusiasts in his memory. The little old house is attractive and the garden at the rear even more so, with cool green grass plots, ivy borders, Virginia creepers over the brick walls and best of all a few iron chairs where one may sit down and take the load off the feet. The woman in charge, however, a very energetic person, with a Poe piece she rattles off at a great rate in a strange mixture of best Virginia accent and good Oxfordeese, allows the pilgrim no relaxation or peace.

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Poe has never been one of our favorites and this visit failed to change our opinion,—considerably over-rated we think as a poet, and as a man, a pretty inferior grade of fish.

Self-pity and self-indulgence were Edgar's outstanding qualities, with personal vanity finishing strong in third place. In the Valentine museum are many of his letters, nearly all of them complaining about his hard lot in life, the ingratitude of others, and nine times out of ten asking for a cash handout to save the poor genius from a pauper's grave.

His foster father finally became fed up with sponging Edgar and after he had been expelled from West Point, sent him a letter which called him among other things "a black-hearted scoundrel and unregenerate ingrate," which we have a pious idea was about correct.

Across the street from the Poe shrine is one of the many Richmond cigaret factories, this particular one being devoted to the manufacture of Phillip Morris while a few squares away is "Lucky Strike" and "Half and Half" smoking tobacco next to it. There is a strong aroma of tobacco mixed with roasting coffee at about, but we found no Carmens, black or white,—they must quit at 4 p. m. So we were too late. The taxi man with some pride, remarked that two-thirds of all cigarets and smoking tobacco in the U.S.A. are made in Richmond,—but for the tobacco revenue, he added, the capital of Virginia would be sunk.

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In the state capitol grounds there was interesting evidence of the high regard England has always had for Virginia and in fact all the south,—a large statue of Stonewall Jackson is enscribed as follows:

"Erected by certain English gentlemen in 1875 in memory of that great soldier and wise statesman,—Thomas J. Jackson."

Imagine "certain English gentlemen" erecting a statue in Central Park in memory of Abraham Lincoln or U. S. Grant!

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The White House museum somehow suggests Dickens,—or perhaps Hawthorne. It is strange pot pourri,—a vivid mixture of abandoned arsenal, antique shop and second-hand store. There are three floors in the old executive mansion and the first two are packed with Civil War guns, swords, pistols, flags, uniforms, saddles, bricles field glasses and what have you! There are also scores of Confederate newspapers hung in swinging files—in short a marvellous treasure house for the researcher but rather frustrating for the casual tourist, particularly when the caretaker, acts as a silent and rather sullen guard, but not as a guide.

The main confederate states have separate rooms, and each room is packed with various and sundry exhibits, from the war period. We were particularly impressed by the army pistols of that day,—huge affairs weighing at least eight or ten pounds we should say,—must have had power enough to knock down an elephant. There could have been nothing puny about the good right fists of the lads in grey.

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If the visitor wishes more war material there is the handsome and modern "Battle Abbey" devoted largely to paintings of the various battles in the war between the states. A northern critic might question the authenticity of some of the scenes from the historical standpoint, but at that up to the crucial battle of Gettysburg, the south won about as consistently and generally as the Japs have to date. For years it must have been a question of the north losing all the battles but the last one. (Which incidentally should be encouraging to those who are depressed by the trend of events since last December 7th. We will win the final one.)

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We can recommend this hotel highly to anyone who wishes a change and rest. It is built on the grand, expansive Victorian scale of regal magnificence, with Italian marble columns, heavy bronze ornamentations, tile floors, and dark red carpets and brocades, the marble staircase leading to the mezzanine from the spacious lobby looking for all the world as if it came from a stage set, from (say) "The Count of Monte Cristo."

Food is good, service colored and excellent and the peace and quiet after the hulabaloo of Washington, most welcome. (But we wouldn't advise delay. There can't be over twenty-five guests in the place, and if this sort of patronage is typical, the days of the Thomas Jefferson may be numbered.)

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Later: Returned to Washington by stage and were held up over 45 minutes by two highway blackouts,—just for practice the state police explained. Washington-Richmond trains fully illuminated were rushing by the highway all the time, and motor traffic going south was not stopped. The stage was packed—all stages are in this part of the country now—and the passengers were not flattering in their comments.—R.W.R.

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.

HARDENING OF THE EYE

Glaucoma is the medical term for increased fullness, tension, pressure within the eyeball, or hardening or loss of elasticity of the eyeball. Sometimes glaucoma develops quickly with one or several attacks of inflammation of congestion and more or less pain in the eye or forehead and fogging of vision or rainbow tints. In most instances glaucoma develops gradually, with little or no pain, just redness or congestion of the eyes, steaming or fogging of vision or eyesight, dilation of pupil, increased tension in the eyeball as measured by the tonometer. The patient complains of foggy vision colored halos around artificial lights, loss of sight, scotomata (dark spots in the visual field), often there is marked impairment of dark adaptation—that is, ability to see after passing from bright light to dim light, daylight to dusk, glare to shade.

Dr. Brady

Ophthalmologists (authorities on eye diseases) are cagy about expressing views as to the cause or causes of glaucoma. Perhaps they do not know, or again perhaps the condition is due to many different causes.

Glaucoma occurs in middle and advanced age (forty to seventy), the congestive form more often attacking women. It involves both eyes, tho one becomes effected months or years after the other. Predisposing causes, according to most ophthalmologists or oculists, are inherited tendency, arteriosclerosis, farsightedness uncorrected or only imperfectly corrected by glasses.

The perculiar gray-green appearance of the pupil in some cases of glaucoma may be mistaken for cataract, and thus valuable time lost waiting for "ripening" of the "cataract" that isn't there.

Reason why uncorrected or imperfectly corrected eyestrain from farsightedness favors the development of glaucoma is worth remembering: Unconscious "accommodation", automatic variation of the shape of the lens by the focusing muscue (iris), tends to narrow outlet or drainage of thru which the watery fluid of the front portion of the eyeball circulates—passes into the veins. When this constant tho slow passage of drainage of aqueous humor is impeded the consequence is increase of intraocular tension or hardening of the eyeball.

Partial or even disabling blindness from glaucoma is therefore one important reason why the question of wearing glasses or spectacles and the right glasses or lenses to wear should be left to the judgement and advice of the eye physician and to none other.

In other articles we'll deal with hygenic, medical and surgical treatment of glaucoma.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Lung Trouble

Member of my family has lung trouble, and on hot days I make him sit in the sun, but a trained nurse said this is the worst thing he could do. (Mrs. F. E.)

Answer—If your relative has tuberculosis you should give him the benefit of medical advice — never mind what Mrs. Satregamp says, but leave to the doctor's judgment all such questions.

Not Ben Terpin

I had a bad cough this past winter, tried everything and got no relief, until I read what one of your followers said about Ben Terpin Hydrate. I got two dozen capsules, each containing two grains, took one after food thdee times a day, and in a few days the cough was practically gone. (A. V. E.)

Answer—Thank you, sir. The medicine is not Ben Terpin, but terpin hydrate, two grains in capsule, after food, three times a day, for obstinate chronic winter cough. If three dozen capsules fail to bring relief it is useless to continue taking the medicine.

B6

Please tell me what vitamin B6 is taken for. (M. E. V)

It is one of the entities of the vitamin B complex of which little is known, as yet.

Reducing

If one goes on a diet with all three meals about like the breakfast you suggested for the basic health diet, how much would one lose in three weeks? (Mrs. O. S.)

Answer—I would not advise it. Send twenty-five cents and stamped envelope bearing your address for booklet "Rules for Reducing". Diets therein are based on physiological principles, and will enable you to reduce comfortably without impairing your good health, good nature and good looks. Freak diets may pull your weight down more rapidly — if you can stay with the inadequate diet — but at the same time they pull down everything else you've got.

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Communications

D.A.V. TO HELP

To the editor:

We, of the Disabled American Veterans of the World war, ordinarily referred to as the D.A.V., being desirous of having the public know our aim, and the reason for our being organized, concur in this statement, being willing to be quoted by the writer, our commander.

In explaining our organization, it is necessary to go back to the days immediately following the World war.

In those days the American Legion was organized, for the perpetuation of that comradeship, that "tie that binds," as it were.

Any one who participated in the big scrap was, and still is, eligible for membership in the legion. Several of the returned soldiers were, and still are, physically unable to keep up with the more able-bodied ones in activities of the times.

Many needed some one to represent them in their applications for compensation for disabilities total or partial, incurred in the service, complications of which, turned up in many cases after leaving the service.

A plan was conceived by some among the disabled veterans, to form an organization composed of those who were suffering handicap, because of injuries sustained in the World war, this was done, and congress by action in both houses, officially recognized the Disabled American Veterans of the World war, granted them a charter, approving the organization as an official spokesman for America's disabled defenders.

In this present war there are many who are becoming eligible for membership in D.A.V., but at present they are not in, and we intend to extend our national service setup to them. Our membership dues are not very high, and our source of revenue not overly large.

National headquarters of D.A.V., Cincinnati, O., has adapted a financing plan, as follows:

Some little metal key ring tags about an inch long, with the recipient's auto license number on are being mailed to individuals.

With the tag they will receive a letter asking them to send in 25 cents or as much more as they care to donate.

Purpose of this money raising drive is to assist in enlarging our service department throughout the nation so that we will be able to help in taking care of the new disabled veterans. The D.A.V. was first of the veteran organizations officially to extend the assistance of its nation-wide setup of expert service officers to help America's disabled defenders of the present war as well as in the past and their dependents. As Lincoln so well said, "To care for him who has borne the battle, and for his widow and orphans."

J. P. GRAHAM,
Commander,
Jackson County Chapter,
No. 8, D.A.V.

HUBBY SUES FOR ALIMONY

Ravenna, O. (U.P.)—Almost two years ago his wife left him, so now Norman A. Thompson of Montau, O., is suing her for alimony. In asking for "support and maintenance," he states that he suffered a paralytic stroke and is unable to work.

STRATEGIST—Maj. Alexander P. de Seversky (above) is the author of a new book entitled "Victory Through Air Power." In it he discusses potentialities of air power, strategy.

KNIT FOR VICTORY—Oriental Camp Fire Girls working on a Red Cross blanket at Sacramento, Calif., are: (left to right) Eleanor Gorre, Filipino; Miyoko Yamauye and Barbara Kawauchi, Japanese; and Jeanette Jung, Chinese.

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITOL WITH John W. Kelly

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the decision. Having gone through these steps, a subsidy could be given the farmer, another to the canner, another to the truck or railroad, and, finally, the can of Walla Walla spinach or Medford ketchup would go to the retailer and be sold at his March price.

Aside from agriculture, it was suggested that eastern railroads be given a subsidy in order that gasoline in 17 eastern states be not raised in price to rationed consumers, the train haul being almost three times the water rate. (No suggestion that the big oil companies which fix the price drop to a lower figure).

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NOTWITHSTANDING senate refusal to accept the wholesale policy of subsidies, which could lead to eventual government ownership, it is a foregone conclusion that some modification will be approved. Secretary Wickard has promised aid to canners and Jesse H. Jones, secretary of commerce, insists that some articles must be purchased at a higher price than they will be sold for if the March level is to be maintained.

Judging from the pressure upon the senate to approve the subsidy plan, manufacturers, jobbers, mine operators and what not were prepared to stand in line and ask for the subsidy; they were ready to prove that it costs more to produce what they handle than they are permitted to collect. There was no fear of government ownership in their arguments.

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IF a worker in the Lake Washington shipyard thinks he can draw better pay at the Kaiser yard in Vancouver or the Oregon Shipbuilding Co. he cannot pull up stakes and go to the new employment. He must first get a clearance from the Federal Employment service, and if clearance is refused he must remain at his job at Lake Washington. This is the plan which will be officially announced shortly. The principal reason for this order will be to prevent one industry with war work bidding for or stealing help from another war industry. The plan is now being studied for "bugs."

Principal "bug" has been discovered by some members of congress and outsiders who say this program interferes with the great American privilege of working where the individual pleases; that it nails a worker down to the position he has and prevents him from free movement. Government has recognized for months, as war production speeds up, that industrial plants cannot obtain the highest efficiency if they confront a constant and heavy turnover. This plan of the manpower commission is considered the most feasible method of meeting the situation.

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ONE rule of office of defense transportation is to be modified because of protests of western senators. This rule is that no truck can deliver a load without returning with a load. The rule is satisfactory to truck operators, but in the far west it cannot be literally applied. There are dozens of places in the northwest where supplies are freighted by truck with no commodities to take away, and this applies especially to oil trucks which must return empty.

MEXICO JOINS IN WAR UPON AXIS

Mexico City, June 3.—(AP)—Mexico took her place today as a full-fledged ally of the united nations, casting her fortunes with the nine other Latin American republics linked in arms against the axis.

Mexico's declaration of war as of May 22 was signed last night by President Manuel Avila Camacho without fanfare in his private residence. On May 22 the Mexicon cabinet decided that full belligerency was the only answer to submarine attacks on Mexican shipping.

Mexico thus became the 27th united nations ally and put before the axis an unbroken stretch of hostile coast in two oceans.

COUNTY BUDGET FINISH DELAYED

The county budget committee, scheduled to complete the budget for the tax year starting July 1, held a session yesterday and adjourned until Friday when they expect to finish the job. Further consideration of a couple of matters delayed completion. The budget committee is composed of H. A. Thierolf, Medford; Albert Bohnert, Central Point, and W. W. Robinson, Ashland, and the county court.

As soon as the budget is completed it will be published for three times, in compliance with state law and a public hearing called, the date to be set later.

STORAGE PLANTS CLEAR OF PEARS

Storage plants of the valley have been cleared of all last year's pear crop, according to Walter J. Looker, secretary of the Rogue River Traffic association. Some packers have started preparations for the coming season.

Wet conditions in the orchards have hampered spraying and thinning work and sunshine is needed. Some orchardists fear spread of scab conditions. Farm crops and alfalfa also need warmth.

Planting of tomato acreage is underway in many sections of the valley.

Portland Flier Dies In Bomber Smashup

San Francisco, June 3—(AP)—The navy patrol bomber which crashed yesterday near Half Moon bay, killing seven of its crew of eight, carried one man from Oregon to his death. Ensign Willis Wayne Campbell, U. S.N.R.; father, Brent W. Campbell, Portland.

Use Mail Tribune want ads

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
June 3, 1933
(It was Friday)

Amelia Earhart, first woman to fly Atlantic, given ovation when she arrives in Paris.

State fair may be eliminated as an economy move.

Cloudy with prospects for rain. High 66, low 40 degrees.

Housewives start canning strawberries, as price is low.

New tax bill in President Hoover's hand by next week, is hope.

Fruitmen predict 1,000 more cars of pears will be shipped from valley. Ideal weather conditions for fruit.

Slash in county expenses urged by citizens.

Southern Oregon Protective association investigates low price of lettuce.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
June 3, 1922
(It Was Saturday)

Ralph Koozer enlarges cannery at Talent to take care of apple crop.

Civic improvement club at Rogue River holds big meeting.

Central Point citizens believe epidemic of robberies past winter now over. People now keep their homes locked.

Commencement exercises held by Jacksonville school. Senior class motto is: "Live Laugh and Labor".

Fair, slightly cooler. High 75, low 49 degrees.

British soldiers and planes at Belfast to quell Irish uprisings.

House accepts Henry Ford's plan for operation of Muscle Shoals.

SECOND SPRAY IS DUE BY JUNE 12

The second cover spray for control of codling moth on apples and pears should be completed by June 12 or as soon after as possible, according to C. B. Cordy, assistant county agent and L. G. Gentner, entomologist, southern Oregon experiment station. "Where the first cover has not been finished, complete it now and then apply second cover to entire orchard," their announcement stated.

Use quarter pound colloidal 77, three pounds of arsenate of lead and one quart of stove oil per 100 gallons. Add to the tank in the order listed with the agitator running. For astringent lead use quarter pound of multifilm instead of colloidal 77.

"Where rust mite control is desired, use six quarts of light or light medium summer oil emulsion, three pounds arsenate of lead and quarter pound of spreader per 100 gallons. If a 98 per cent oil is used, five quarts can be used instead of six.

"Do not use oil if sulphur has been used since the calyx spray."

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