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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The FBI has rounded up a sufficient number of Nazi spies and Bundists in the East, to start a "concentration camp" where they belonged in the first place. In this respect they should be shown the same consideration as accorded the Nipponese, whose hellraising proclivities have never been as extensive and arrogant.

The cool morns of the past few days have caused the wood and fuel dealers to smile and the older barbers to warm their fingers down the necks of customers.

"There is a good deal of activity among the people of Clear Creek. Quite a number are coming and going." (Clear Creek Items.)—There is a little bit of the gad in all of us.

"The Russian defense lines continues to bend freely," Moscow reports. Mostly the wrong way.

BEFORE SLACKS

(Ladies' Home Journal)

"Crimson is a picturesque color for a feminine kilt skirt. A short blue kilt skirt, a little above the ankles, makes a striking costume with a blue corduroy velvet jacket, blue and white striped tennis shirt, russet leggings and a big red felt sombrero."—(50 Yrs. Ago Col.)

There will be no state fair this year, due to transportation difficulties, the Governor announces. The usual opening day rain will fall, but candidates will have to shake hands with voters as they come, instead of en masse.

Things will be tough next winter, Washington officials reports. The nation is running out of everything and there is no way to get what we have too much of to places where it is a lack. Bottles and bottle caps for beer are disappearing like the buffalo on the plains. The thrifty may return to the ancient trick of "rushing the growler." Social activity will be cramped, with nothing to do on a Saturday night but walk to a "Hard Times" ball.

The rubber round-up in this county netted 698,071 pounds. Chairman K. Parrett is tired and no longer walks with an "elastic step."

QUITE A GIRL!

(Press Dispatch)

"She knows all about the upper classes and their demitasses. And she is not one to be thrown off her stride by backwoods congressmen and their demijohns."

"Illegal wrestling" will be fought soldiers for use on the foe. The one wherein the opponent gets his Adam's apple massaged on the top ring rope should be effective. Another good one is the wild right swing that knocks the opponent cold and leaves the referee without any pants.

"Mrs. Chet Squires, whose husband is serving with the army in the Hawaiian Islands, recently wrote her: 'Hearing from you is like fishing, you never know when you'll get a mess.'"—(Lakeview Examiner.)

The muffled knock.

C. DeVore, the butcher, and Vern (Shotgun) Canon, both laughed at the same time Wed. and traffic racket on North Cent. was momentarily subdued. Mr. Canon was out-whooped in the higher octaves.

W. Pegler Versus W. A. White

WESTBROOK PEGLER has a one-track mind. That is why he is so effective.

There are two sides to every question but Westbrook only sees one. He concentrates on that. It is doubtful therefore if there is a newspaper columnist in the country who has influenced public opinion in the last half-decade more than this former slang-slinging sports writer. And as all his readers know, his pet hobby has been, and still is, labor racketeering.

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE, famous editor of the Emporia (Kansas) Gazette is a very different breed of cats.—VERY. William is older of course,—around quarter of a century older,—but that isn't the vital factor. The vital factor is Brother White is fundamentally a reasonable and reasoning person, while Brother Pegler isn't.

So inevitably if these two distinguished journalists ever did meet on an issue they would clash, just as the fighting extrovert and the contemplative introvert always clash.

And also inevitably, as far as the reading public is concerned, the former would get the better of it. The fighter with the one-track mind always does,—at the outset at least.

WELL anyway this particular clash, of course, is over the labor problem,—this time in Kansas. Clyde Reed, the junior Senator of that state,—recently decided to run for Governor of the Sunflower state, on an anti-laboring-racketeering platform, and being an old friend of the Emporia editor, asked for his support.

Bill refused on the ground that "labor unions however evil their abuses may be, are not an issue,—not a major issue anyway,—in Kansas."

NATURALLY, this didn't please Mr. Reed, and quite as naturally it enraged the double-fisted and explosive Mr. Pegler, who wheeled his faithful Corona into action and fired point-blank as follows:

I can respect Mr. White as a prophet on Kansas politics, but to me there is as much cause for alarm in the old man's complacency, his flippant dismissal of this terrible thing, which he not only acknowledges but describes and condemns, as "too little for an issue."

This means that the rot has infected William Allen White, too, a man who always in the past could be expected to attack anything so evil as this blackmailing racket carried on at the expense of his own friends and neighbors of Kansas and of the government itself and to the peril of the very freedom for which the Kansas war plants are being built. It is not merely that he has decided not to support a certain candidate which disturbs me, but that this man, who often before has spoken for a people noted for their political wisdom and their passion for the rights of man, and who may speak for them in this case, thinks this issue is a political triviality.

He acknowledges that the administration in Washington stopped attempts by the national legislature to redress this outrage against the workers' rights and freedom, wherein he concedes that the executive branch controls the legislative. And he might honestly have added that the graft which the blackmailers steal from these workers is placed at the disposal of the party in power to buy elections until the American system of government rots away into a dictatorship. Yet he says the issue isn't much, and the worst of it probably is that the people of Kansas, like William Allen White, have looked the monster in the eye so long that they are now willing to accept its rule and scoff away, as White does, the burning wrath of the only candidate with the honesty and courage to fight it.

Yes, with that righteous blast, the journalist bare-knuckle scrapper gets the decision, and DE-SERVES it!

BUT it isn't a knock-out. For undoubtedly W. A. W. has a case. Labor unions are NOT a major issue in the Kansas campaign. The question is should they, or should they not, be made one? Mr. White says "no!" Mr. Pegler says "yes!"

Well were William Allen White as young, impetuous and adventurous as when he wrote "What's the matter with Kansas?" he might feel otherwise. But after the three score and ten mile post has been passed few editors feel that way, and the "greatest small-town editor of this generation" is probably no exception.

But even more important than years in this particular controversy as we see it, is temperament. Pegler the fighter sees only one side and he is going to hammer away on that side until the cows come home—and are milked and bedded down for the night.

William Allen White the thinker as usual sees BOTH sides.

He realizes that asking workers to join labor unions and pay fees is entirely legitimate, assuming everything is on the up-and-up and not a graft. That is the fees are reasonable, the necessary union qualifications are recognized and adhered to, the revenues are the property of the union, and honestly administered. He may even believe the majority of labor unions are thus administered, and so refuses to endorse a state campaign based upon the assumption they are not,—that the labor union movement as a whole is nothing but a racket and must be wiped out. Even more important. As not only a veteran but extremely wise political campaigner in the most politically-minded state in the union, Kansas, Editor White is probably convinced that such a campaign as Messrs. Pegler and Reed propose could not be kept within the bounds of labor union ABUSES but would inevitably degenerate into a fight on labor unions themselves and the entire labor union movement.

He not only doesn't want that, he feels sure, on such an issue, the Pegler-Reed ticket would meet defeat.

So as one of the "elder statesmen" he keeps out. And from the standpoint of an elder statesman who is no longer a crusader, he undoubtedly is right.

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.

THE TREATMENT OF CVD

CVD—cardiovascular degeneration—is the general condition which manifests itself variously as hardening of the arteries, slow heart muscle failure, angina pectoris, coronary thrombosis, apoplexy or chronic nephritis. Longevity is a vascular question, wrote Dr. Osler, which has been well expressed in the axiom that "a man is only as old as his arteries." To a majority of men death comes primarily or secondarily thru this portal. By that Osler meant that arteriosclerosis and CVD may be regarded as "the expression of the natural wear and tear to which the tubes (the arteries) are inseparable from the pump or heart functionally—that is, there can be no degree of hardening of the arteries (arteriosclerosis) without some associated change in the heart.

No, we have not forgotten high blood pressure. But we believe it has received too much prominence in the popular mind and so omitted mention of it in the description of CVD. After all elevation of the pressure upon the blood in the arteries is only an effect or symptom or sign of something, not necessarily any heart or arterial disease, and therefore it is a serious mistake to treat it, whether by diet, medicine or other means, without at least an earnest endeavor to find out what, if anything, ails the victim. From the curious comments and questions concerning this, in the letters I receive from readers, it seems evident that a good many people who should know better are willing to fool along with what they believe to be or have learned from some near-doctor or incompetent to be high blood pressure, without any concern about its significance.

There, I knew it. I should have kept high blood pressure out of this discussion. But I do want to reach as many Wiseacres as possible, and they know so many things which ain't so about blood pressure that I have no other choice.

One other thing the author of the "doctor's bible" said

about arteriosclerosis (hardening of the arteries) and cardiovascular degeneration in general deserves emphasis in the mind of the individual developing cardiovascular degeneration: "As an involution process arteriosclerosis is an accompaniment of..." Believe me, brother, it pains me more to say this than it will you to hear it. You know, involution is the opposite or reverse of evolution—evolution being growth, unfolding, development. "As an involution process arteriosclerosis is an accompaniment of..."—of what we'll talk about another day.

QUESTION & ANSWERS

Queer Notion

One hears now and again that canned foods are liable to cause cancer at some time. (Mrs. L. A. F.)

Answer—No, canned foods are perfectly wholesome.

Culms

Formula to remove calluses on sole and corns—It was published some time ago, but I cannot find it. (E. C.)

Answer—Paint corn or callus daily with solution of thirty grains of salicylic acid in one-half ounce of flexible collodion. In a week or so the corn or callus will soften so that it may be wiped away. Of course it will form again if the pressure or friction that caused it continues. Send stamped envelope bearing your address and inclose ten cents for booklet "Care of the Feet."

Something You Ate?

Troubled with pains in both knees and calves. Sometimes my feet have pins and needles feeling. Is it probably something I am eating that I shouldn't? Can you recommend a liniment? (A. M. O.)

Answer—More likely something you do not eat that you should, such as plain wheat in place of most white flour products in your diet or wheat germ in place of refined breakfast cereal, or more fresh vegetables and greens, or a daily ration of vitamin B complex to supplement your ordinary diet. Camphor Liniment (camphorated oil) is good to apply for such pain.

Receding Gums

I suffer greatly from receding gums and the dentist has had to fill several marginal cavities. Regular massage is the only remedy he can suggest—he says there is no cure. (H. O. C.)

Answer—Send stamped envelope bearing your address, for pamphlet "All That Glistens Is Not Pyorrhea." (Copyright 1942, John F. Dille Co.)

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France in the last world war, and distinguished himself as a peacetime engineer on Mississippi flood control and other projects before entering the WPA relief organization. He is classed by his associates as a strong new dealer.

General Burns, while associated with Hopkins, is less identified with the social political reform aspects of administration policy.

With Somervell as chief of staff, the army would be only one degree removed from the White House, bringing it closer even than the navy.

THE printed suggestions that Marshall might head a unified command reflects the urgent need of a single-headed military control of all allied armies in the field.

We are fighting against single-headed military systems which bring to bear sensational and unorthodox innovations, possible only when one man makes decisions.

TURKEYS USED IN WAR ON HOPPERS

Wawawai, Wash., July 14.—(AP)—Ranchers prepared today to employ thousands more of turkeys, unless the first 1,600 birds stem the drive in a desperate attempt to stop the invasion of hordes of grasshoppers which swept ruinously through here yesterday.

Driven from the dry highlands, the insects swarmed into Snake river valley peach and apricot orchards and left a trail of ruined fruit and stripped fields behind them.

Rancher I. E. Wilson said the original flock of turkeys appeared about a founder on the insects and plans have been laid to increase the number to 9,000 if necessary.

PEGGY RIDDLE WINNER IN AMATEUR CONTEST

Miss Peggy Riddle of this city was first prize winner in the Oriental Garden's amateur contest for soloists Saturday night, according to Ray Schumacher, hall manager. A similar contest will be held the evening of July 18 at the Oriental Gardens.

Kelly's Comment

From Washington, D. C.

Labor Shortage Coast Headache

Lack of Housing Makes Men Move

Aleut Censorship Irks Coast Folk

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., July 14.—Labor shortage is another item on the headache list of the war industries in Washington and Oregon. There is too much of a turnover (one plant reported almost 50 per cent in one month) and the situation will become worse with the passing months unless Uncle Sam does something about it. The solution is more housing. Despite the millions of dollars spent by the government for housing in Seattle, Bremerton, there is pressing need for more dwellings and dormitories. In the Vancouver-Portland area, which will have 120,000 men employed in shipyards, the contractors are having more trouble hiring and keeping workers than in obtaining steel for the ships. Spokane, with the big industrial development now under way, is crying for housing.

These are the major trouble spots; there are a dozen other northwest towns having similar difficulties, depending on the character of the war work. Practically wherever there are soldiers in large numbers, present or prospective, a housing shortage exists.

The potline plant of an aluminum industry on Columbia river has been on the point of closing down for lack of help and there has been delay in starting another potline. A proposed small steel industry has been refused financial assistance by reconstruction finance corporation on the grounds of labor shortage because there are no housing facilities. Conditions in the major industry towns were bad two months ago; they are far worse today.

REASONS for the heavy turnover, report the contractors, is the failure to find a place to sleep. Workers come to town, get a job in a war industry, struggle for a few days trying to locate a room, become disgusted, quit and go to some other town. Wages are not responsible for the men leaving.

To authorities in the national capital this problem has been presented. It has been pointed out that failure of the federal government to build dormitories, units or trailers is jeopardizing the production of ships, of aluminum, of airplanes; that contracts cannot be expedited if the needed workmen cannot be attracted to the jobs and held. Private building is now out of the question, with priorities on everything that goes into a house, and the government housing agency itself has a long standing dispute with war production board to obtain lumber, nails and plumbing. Fifteen or 20 million dollars spent by the federal housing agency in war industry towns of the Pacific northwest would be a blessing.

FROM San Francisco to Portland is approximately 700 miles and can be covered by truck in 25 hours. From San Francisco to Seattle is some 900 miles and a truck will make the distance in 32 hours. For the freight which is carried by truck to be sent by railroad would require about nine days. This statement has been presented by west coast truck operators in raising objection to the war department's plan to prevent motor trucks taking a load more than 300 miles. The written order was that trucks should operate less than 300 miles; over that mileage freight should go by rail. Army officials were informed that there are hundreds of communities in Washington, Oregon and Idaho that have no rail facilities and are dependent upon trucks for supplies.

THE war way news is being handled in the Alaska-Aleutians battle front is not satisfactory to people from the northwest resident in the national capital. Apparently news out of Alaska will be even more scarce with restrictions on civilian travel to the north. At the time the Japs were moving transports, under convoy of cruisers and destroyers, and digging in on the Aleutians navy department spokesmen asserted that we had not lost "one rock" but the enemy took Attu, Agattu and Kiska, and these transports mean many men. Attack on Dutch Harbor was insignificant, according to official report, and the destruction and loss of life became known only when wounded and

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

July 14, 1932.
(It was Thursday.)

Heat wave in eastern states kills many. No relief in sight.

Jackson county asked to contribute \$1,000 to Crescent City railroad fund.

Oregon third in yield of pears for year.

School furnaces to burn sawdust coming winter.

Boys and girls summer camp to open July 29th.

Unsettled with showers. High 78, low 53.

Secretary of War Patrick Hurley, scoffs at "Roosevelt's new deal plan" in speech at Columbus, Ohio.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

July 14, 1922.
(It was Friday.)

Government threatens to take over railroads and mines and draft strikers in both industries.

Fair. High 99.5, low 55 degrees.

Copco receives carload of latest type electric ranges.

Rudy Singler and Reese Baughman to appear in special bout at Bob Brown smoker.

Fire on Roxy Ann sweeps over 800 acres of range grass.

Page-Dressler company is purchased by Brown & White.

Ye Poets Corner

What You Are

It isn't just how good you look, How cute or wise you be, It's what you are that counts the most.

The good in you to see.

It isn't how much dough you have, Though little you may own, It is the gold that shines in soul— The good in you that's known.

It isn't just how bad things are, There's always a bright side; So look there, friend, and what you are— Will next to joy abide. Private Leonard Guardino, Camp White.

The department of commerce suggests it is essential that each manufacturer of war goods have a blue print of exactly what he will do immediately following the war.

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