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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The bride-to-be of H. Hopkins, aide to the President, will provide the White House with a second First Lady of the Land.

The way things are going, it will be just twice as hard to catch one of them at home.

A plan is now afoot to provide "selective immigration" before the after the war rush from Europe starts. It's about time.

The basic urge in every European's bosom is to get here and make money—no matter how, but make it as any one who was abroad in 1917-18 well knows. The arrivals should possess some qualifications other than the ability to whistle "God Save America" and look sad.

REASON ENOUGH

(Colfax, Calif.) Record

"A draft board reports getting this note: 'Please take my husband into service. He wants to fight all the time, and I'm not able to.'"

Few farmers took advantage of the clouds yes, and prayed for rain, with a good chance of getting it.

The lack of "fighting music" in this war is deplored by the upstate press. So far, the music has been such, the listener wants to fight the musicians instead of the Axis.

The British are as diffident about opening a Second Front in Europe as an old fashioned high school girl. London concedes today the Germans are removing divisions from France to Russia, "but the Nazi strength is not reduced." Subtraction is one less in any man's language, and what the Nazis ship to the Eastern front is that much less in France. It's been about a month since headlines blared: "Britain Sees Invasion Threat."

IT ALWAYS WORKS

(Salem Statesman)

"The circumstance that allotments to service men's wives and dependents will be paid the day before the November election is a startling example of coincidence but not exactly novel. Seems as though a peacetime version of the same thing has happened once or twice in the last eight years."

An Idaho candidate for congress has suffered a calamity. He cut his hand on a farmer's barbed wire fence and will be unable to shake hands for two days. It will also weaken his hold on the presidential contest.

A rumor, spiked here many times a year ago, has shown up in the Corvallis area, unspiked.

Argentine, one of the "good neighbors," is maintaining its "neutrality" by accepting an apology and cash from Germany for Uboat sinkings of ships. It's a case of Uncle Sam being a guardian angel when loaning money and a crook when seeking cooperation.

PASS THE VINEGARI

"Moberly, Mo. (AP)—A 32-mile round trip for sugar? And how much home canning did they do last year? The problems were too much for Myra Rihard, 71, and her 82-year-old brother. Wrote Sister Myra to the rationing board: 'We have no car, no 'hoos and buggy.' My brother says, 'Dammit, I quit whisky, I quit smoking and I can quit sugar!' 'P.S.—I couldn't answer all the silly questions about how much I canned last year. All I know it's all 'let up.' So probably it's just as well not to register.'—(Press Dispatch).

Nazi Mendacity

The unreliability of the German war reports is again demonstrated by the town of Voronezh. Ten days ago the German High Command, claimed the capture of this strategic point. The Russians denied it.

The Germans repudiated the denial and again stated that in spite of it, the German army WAS in possession of this place and had been for several days.

BUT now Berlin admits, not only that Voronezh has NOT been captured, but the Russians are on the offensive in that sector and the fighting has reached terrific proportions.

This is nothing new. But it does once more make clear, that while the allies don't tell the whole truth, and sometimes even deny what is true for strategic reasons, they do not indulge deliberately in fiction, as does the Axis.

Moreover as long as the Russians can hold Voronezh, the German forces advancing south of it, are in danger of being outflanked.

The situation in Russia remains serious, but as long as Voronezh holds out, it isn't hopeless.

Why Fool With Vichy?

Vichy protests the sending of U. S. military experts to confer with General De Gaulle.

Why not? The United States government still recognizes the Vichy government as the de facto government of France.

De Gaulle is a deserter from, and a traitor to, that government.

Why shouldn't Messrs. Laval, Darlan and Petain enter a vigorous protest, and call attention to the "inadmissibility" of the United States, trying to maintain normal and friendly relations with the French government, and ALSO with rebels fighting to overthrow that government.

It just doesn't make sense.

And we feel the time has come for this government to recognize the fact.

FOR why keep up such a transparent farce?

The French government at Vichy has been working hand and glove with Germany ever since Laval was reinstated. In fact only a few weeks ago Laval publicly stated he hoped Germany would win.

Then what are we, the people of the United States, in a war to the death with Germany, waiting for?

What possible good can come to this country, or to the allied cause, by continuing this pretense of friendliness and amity toward the Vichy government when none exists?

And only a few weeks ago the Roosevelt administration sent another shipment of food and supplies to the Vichy government via its French colonies!

This to the government whose active head admits he wants Germany to win, and needless to say, is doing everything in his power to see that Germany DOES.

"TOO late and too little" is too tragic an epitaph to the hopes of the democratic cause, to extend it to the efforts of General De Gaulle and the Free French.

The time has come as we see it, to break relations with Vichy and have the honesty and the courage to face the FACTS of this relationship as they exist.

"To Be or Not To Be?"

Commando raids on the French coast are one thing. An all-out invasion effort, quite another.

The commando raid is a "hit-and-run" sortie, with the element of surprise a vital factor.

There could be no surprise in an invasion effort,—particularly after all these months of alarms and rumors, and the necessary magnitude of such a project.

IT is one thing for a "corporal's guard" to creep over some dark night, decapitate a few sentries and blow up a munition dump or a U-boat dock and then depart; and quite another to land a mechanized army which, must not only crush first line resistance, but establish permanent bridge heads, maintain communications, not temporarily but permanently, and then ADVANCE!

Yes, one doesn't need to be a high-ranking member of the general staff, to appreciate the terrific risks and dangers of doing what certainly needs to be done, and at once:—

Take the pressure off from the Red army, by an all-out attack on Germany from the west.

And there is another angle. While the desirability of such action is unquestioned, if it SHOULD fail, the situation would then be far more serious than if it had never been attempted. In fact in such an event, only a miracle could save Britain from destruction.

SO we don't envy the allied command which undoubtedly is considering the matter of an invasion attempt SERIOUSLY, as the one hope of keeping Hitler away from the liquid gold of the Caucasus.

It is certainly a case of being between the devil and the deep-blue sea,—damned if you do and fail; damned if you don't, and the Russians do.

The decision may well determine the result of the 1942 campaign and might even decide the result of the Second World War.

Former President of Argentina Dies

Buenos Aires, July 16.—(AP)—Former President Roberto Moritz, 55, of Argentina, who resigned his post June 24 after be-

ing inactive for nearly two years because of ill health and near blindness, died today.

He had received extreme unction early this morning from Monsignor Miguel De Andrea, bishop of Temnos.

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, 565 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

HEALTH DEPENDS ON ORAL DIGESTION

When I was a sophomore medical student my father, who had no medical knowledge but was an omnivorous reader, used to debate with me on the primary or essential cause of disease. He had a theory of his own about it, which of course was absurd to my mind then. He maintained that "all disease begins in the stomach."

When I undertook to point out the inadequacy of the theory by citing typhoid fever which begins in the intestine, father would pause only briefly in his discussion of pathology to ask how the typhoid bacilli got into the intestine if not from failure of the gastric juice to destroy them—and go on from there while I remained baffled and silent. At times I wondered whether medical science was wrong about it after all, so often did father draw me on until I was practically supporting his contention—I, a sophomore medical student, remember.

If father were here today I wouldn't consider his theory that "all disease begins in the stomach" so absurd as I did then. In the light of our newer knowledge of nutrition the theory requires only a little editing to make it presentable now—change the "all" to "much" and the "stomach" to "mouth"—much disease begins in the mouth—and you have in a few words the gist of many volumes of modern scientific literature.

Shakespeare was as warm as father when he put the famous toast in the mouth of Macbeth—"Now, good digestion wait on appetite, and health on both!" Health does depend on good digestion, and good digestion depends on something more than appetite. It depends on mastication, and mastication of course requires functionally efficient teeth, either your own or your dentist's, and on the sort of food you masticate.

Nearly four fifths of the calories, the energy, in the daily diet normally comes from carbohydrate material (starches and sugars, in vegetables, cereals, fruits, nuts) and nearly half of the starch in such foods should be digested by the action of the ptyalin (digestive enzyme or ferment in the saliva) while the food is being masticated and for a good half hour after it has

been swallowed. So it should be clear that when mastication is crippled by loss of teeth or by untreated decay or disease of teeth or gums, mouth or oral digestion is deficient and a good deal of undigested starch is passed along to the duodenum, where an excessive burden is imposed on the pancreatic juice to digest it. Stomach and duodenal or intestinal digestive functions are bound to be impaired by the handicap and general nutrition inevitably declines. No, brother or sister, you can't enjoy good health, vite, if you have a few teeth carious or missing, even if they are back teeth that do not show.

QUESTION & ANSWERS

Hair Does Not Grow After Death We are debating the question whether human hair can grow after death.

Answer—No.

Saccharin Understand one ounce of saccharin in one quart of water is equivalent to 32 pounds of sugar—one tablespoonful of the solution equal to a cupful of sugar. Would it be harmful for one not diabetic to use saccharin as a sweetener in place of sugar? (Mrs. L. V. E.) Answer—Saccharin has a sweetening power 300 to 500 times that of sugar. It has no food or caloric value. A quarter-grain tablet is approximately as sweetening to tea, coffee, soda water, ginger ale, chewing gum or chewing tobacco as a teaspoonful of cane sugar would be. General medical opinion is that use of up to five grains a day is harmless to any one.

Preparing for Maternity Is it dangerous for the nursing baby if the mother has eaten raw pork or raw beef while pregnant? (Mrs. J. R. W.)

Answer—No. No one should eat raw pork, raw ham or raw beef unless absolutely certain it does not contain tapeworm larvae or trichina larvae. If you have a baby on order or you one might wish to raise, send ten cents for "Preparing for Maternity" or for "The Brady Baby Book"—inclose stamped envelope bearing your address.

Homogenized Vitamin D Milk Feeding our children Homogenized Vitamin D Milk. Label says "by the addition of irradiated ergosterol." Have Ben told irradiated ergosterol is a drug poisonous which causes the bones to become brittle. What is irradiated ergosterol? (Mrs. K. D.)

Answer—It is a synthetic vitamin D—made by action of ultraviolet light rays of certain length on ergosterol, a natural food substance present in various foods. It is not a "poisonous drug" and if anything prevents the bones from being brittle.

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News Behind

The News

By Paul Mallon

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the river, and their inability to get back and forth across it. There are few bridges in that region, and the German attack swept down both banks of the river. In one big bend a very large Russian force was entrapped.

It was clear, also, that if his attack onward from Voronezh could reach the little railroad town of Povorino, it would present a much more serious threat to Timoshenko, for there his supply route running around through Stalingrad could be cut.

Furthermore, if the Nazi thrust down the Don reached Stalingrad before it spent itself, the vital Volga oil and supply route would be gone and nothing would be left except the Astrakhan route. Even so, all would not necessarily be lost.

While the southern army would then be completely cut off, Russian fighting ability in such circumstances is widely respected.

A counter-attack by the southern and central armies straight across Hitler's salient to join them again and leave his advance forces surrounded, would still be a possibility.

To win in Russia, Hitler must crush the Russian armies completely and cause them to sue for an armistice. As was proved, to the surprise of the world, last year, advances in this salient and captures of strategic towns do not necessarily bring decisive results. The fighting is not over, even when the objectives are reached.

No one knows or will even attempt to guess when the power of the German attack will diminish, whether at Lisichansk or Kantemirovka (two points at which it was headed down the railroads at this writing), or whether it will be able to go on to Stalingrad.

It must stop some day and

when that day comes, better news from that front may start.

Little satisfaction can be derived from going on beyond these immediate Nazi objectives to consider what will happen if they all go and Hitler starts the last lap of his drive for the real economic prize of this campaign, which is the Caucasus oil.

A supplemental attack from Taganrog on Rostov has been momentarily expected. This is the shortest route to that goal. He will not hit oil until he gets to Krasnodar (it yields about 500,000 tons of oil a year) and Grozny. To reach these points he will have to cross wide prairies cut by sharp depressions and gullies admirably suited for Russian defense.

The Russians well knew of Hitler's objectives last year, in time to accumulate huge oil stores to support their armies for an indefinite period in the north.

Thus, while the latest developments are grave, they have been subjected to over-exaggerated interpretations.

SIX FROM COUNTY REGISTER AT OSC

Oregon State College, Corvallis, July 16.—(Spl.)—Already accepted here as freshmen for the class starting September 21 are six high school graduates from Jackson County, according to announcement by Registrar E. B. Lemon.

Indications are that the freshman class will be large as many boys are planning to combine college work with one of the various military enlistment opportunities offered, while better employment conditions favor the attendance of girls, who are less self-supporting than men.

Those accepted include the following:

Ashland: John Frederick Bell and Margaret Alice Whittle.

Prospect: Darwin Kirk Bevens and Herbert Sutcliffe, Jr.

Medford: Robert Elmer Holmes.

Central Point: Harold George Troutman.

Use Mail Tribune when you can.

Nazis Threaten to Reach Stalingrad



German drives in Russia (black arrows) threatened a sweep to Stalingrad (A), and the lower Volga. One gained around south of Boguchar, and another moved east from Lisichansk. Further north, Russians acknowledged German gains before Voronezh and in the Rzhhev area.

Kelly's Comment

From Washington, D. C.

Ickes Recognizes Bad Advice

Churchill May Find Opposition

Cover Crop Seed Price Increased

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., July 16.—

It has dawned upon Harold Le Clair Ickes, secretary of the Interior, that he has been receiving some bad advice on proposed legislation (particularly the Bone-Smith Columbia power authority bill) and he would like a new deal in his own little group of so-called power lawyers.

The group of young lawyers, led by Abe Fortas, who mainly wrote the CPA measure assured the secretary that the bill would go through congress with a whoop and in almost nothing flat the CPA would be acquiring private utilities in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and elsewhere in the region with revenue bonds. The secretary now realizes that he placed too much confidence in his power group.

Appointment and confirmation of Abe Fortas as under-secretary of the Interior gives Ickes an excuse to look for and select a new keyman in his power policy set-up. Mr. Fortas has been the guiding genius in trying to trim the private companies and establish government control of all power in the Pacific northwest and adjoining states. Mr. Fortas has, in a manner of speech, been kicked upstairs and in his new job is supposed to be too busy with other matters to major in power as he has been doing since he left the position of general counsel of the bituminous coal bureau, also under the wing of Secretary Ickes.

The small group of lawyers advised Ickes that "the people" of the northwest were crying for the CPA bill; that only the private companies were objecting to it; that the hearings of the joint congressional committee would be followed by enactment of the bill sometime in July. A warning from a friend of the secretary on "the hill" that these young lawyers were balling things up was taken with a grain of salt. Now Secretary Ickes has learned that his advisers did not know what they were talking about; that he and the bill are being denounced by editors, city councils, civic groups throughout Washington and Oregon; that "the people" are either opposed to the bill in whole or in part; that there isn't a Chinaman's chance of the Bone-Smith bill ever being spread upon the statute books; and, finally, that his friend "on the hill" knew all the answers and had forecast the mess the young lawyers were fixing for their boss.

WHAT Secretary Ickes now desires is someone who can look at the power of the northwest objectively keep his feet on the ground and work out a policy that will be reasonably satisfactory to everyone concerned: the PUDs, the government ownership group, the private utilities and the consumers who are most vitally concerned. And Secretary Ickes is not interested in finding a lawyer to take the place of Fortas; there are too many young lawyers already trying to tell him what to do on the power question. Nor does he want anyone who has been connected with a private utility.

WINSTON Churchill, who has had everything his own way in the United States to date (he reported to commons that his greatest achievement was in getting the United States into the war, for which he had planned

Gold Hill Schools Name New Teachers

Gold Hill, July 16.—(Spl.)—

Three teachers have been named to fill vacancies in the local school faculty, according to Principal Dennis McGuire, who announced the hiring of Mrs. Viola Pomeroy and Mrs. Flossie Meyers to teach the sixth and eighth grades. Miss Nona Branson, who formerly taught at Gardner, Ore., and graduated from the University of Oregon, will replace Mrs. Elva Kathon on the high school faculty.

Mrs. Pomeroy and Mrs. Meyers have taught in Jackson county for several years. An athletic coach has not yet been named to replace Kernal Buhler who will coach in Corvallis high this year.

and worked), may not succeed in placing American troops under a British commander. If American military experts are consulted they will veto such a plan and will propose that wherever American troops are used it will be in some section or part of the world where they will fight under their own officers and not be mingled with British or other United Nations forces. British officers, it is contended, are drawn from the aristocracy (the old school tie) and do not mingle with the troops as is the custom of American officers; nor do the latter insist on sleeping in pyjamas, having their tea and plenty of sleep. Incidentally, four Oregon boys and three from Washington are in the ordnance department servicing General Grant tanks in the desert warfare; all former garage mechanics.

TRIPLE A has finally announced prices for cover crop seeds grown in the northwest and what dealers will be paid for handling them. Growers will receive a substantial increase. This year 20 cents a pound will be paid growers for hairy vetch and crimson clover; last year it was 7.25 cents. For common vetch, Austrian winter peas and ryegrass the price to growers is now 5 cents; last year 3 cents a pound. For Willamette valley vetch the new price to grower is 6.5 cents; was 5 cents last year. The handling charge allowed dealers is 40 cents per 100 pounds, with 45 cents for hairy vetch and clover.

Adjustment of prices will shortly be announced to give relief to canners, retailers, and wholesalers of jelly, preserves and jams. Prices will be upped and the consumers will pay what is estimated as the actual increased costs to producers. Ceiling prices on frozen vegetables and fruit will also be lifted, otherwise tons of these foods would be left to waste on the ground.

Bonus marchers defy Washington police in march on Capitol.

Berrydale beer joint is raided.

Congress to pass home relief and jobless aid bill before adjournment.

Bert Orr is elected president of state furniture dealers.

Dick Applegate, local youth returns from trip to Europe and lands in New York.

Kansas girls baseball team to play locals this evening.

Fair, with not much change in temperature. High 76, low 54 degrees.

LABOR war breaks out anew in West Virginia; 13 killed, 25 wounded.

Babe Ruth hits 15th homer of season.

Vern Van Dyke reports fishing on Little Butte creek is good. P. C. Bigham lands a six-pound cutthroat in Rogue river.

Fair. High 98, low 56 degrees.

Clara Phillips, film bathing beauty, held for hammer murder of love rival.

Light post at Main and Central badly damaged when hit by Grants Pass lady driver.

Bus and streetcar ticket stubs are being saved by British people and contributed to the paper salvage campaign.

Portland Stove Plant Is Burned

Portland, Ore., July 16.—(P)—

The Northwest Stove company plant, engaged in war contracts, was destroyed by fire Wednesday. Fire Investigator William Goerz estimated the loss at \$25,000.

Some damage was done the adjacent plant of the Oregon Culvert & Pipe company. Goerz said the blaze apparently was caused by an overheated core oven.

DOLDRUMS

Salmon, Idaho, July 16.—(P)—

Lemhi county politics aren't what they used to be. Four county offices are sought by no candidate of either party.

PARK & TILFORD RESERVE

The Blend of Experience

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 16, 1932

(It was Saturday)

Local irrigation districts in line for federal money aid.

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