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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

An army sergeant reports the "desert" looks like a meadow to him, and other military men state it is not hot hereabouts. This is the proper CofC. attitude. They all like the local water, but as yet none have swore it was champagne.

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Sen. Rufus Holman is home from Wash., D. C., and talking with great candor, and not caring whose toes his speeches step on.

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In England, black cats are regarded as a sign of good luck. This may be the cause of the lack of same.

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Lyle (Old Codger) Fisher, 82, barked a shin recently when an auto backed into him, and is wearing a lath for a cane. He exonerated the culprit.

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Carolyn, the titian haired tot of the D. Phairs, has informed J. Tannehill, the Jack Walker son, to get into some kind of a uniform, or all is over between them.

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All the local Field Marshals came out the past week for a Second Front, and more bombing of Germany. They maintain Hitler can't be licked using the same tactics employed by pioneers in chasing the Indians off Table Rock.

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Dewey Hill, the Prospect hired man, goes to war Aug. 1, and Prospect's loss is the army's gain. He was in Great Fracas I

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Valley pumpkins have started to take on rotundity, and are big enough for a Chinese pheasant to roost on, in the twilight.

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Quite a number of citizens have taken the woodmen by the forelock and filled their woodsheds, against winter, and a fuel shortage.

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A threshing machine moved onto Con DeVore's place Sat, and his grandson Mike has been cautioned to keep out of it or he will feel like Grandpaw, after a hard tussle with him. The threshing machine will know it has been in a battle.

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The homeliest wrestler in the world will cavort at the Armory tomorrow night, and a great outpouring is expected to see this scenic eyesore.

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The valley corn is coming along fine, and tall enough for Dock Green, the Iowa native son, to boldly admit it bears a resemblance to corn, in general details.

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F. Luy, the Antelope cowhand has to move, Aug. 10, from his farm. He has not yet chosen another place to dress up, and come to town on business from, three times per diem.

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Grasshoppers are rampant in the rural areas, but as yet have not eaten up any of the turkeys reported to be eating them. After a turkey has eaten grasshoppers by the million, for days, he begins to develop a taste for them.

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Chuck Clay III was mentioned by a California paper Thurs. as a likely pedestrian, when he gets so he can put his feet in front of each other with regularity, and not retreat while trying to advance.

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The deer season opens in the sister state to the south next Sat. and several nimrods plan to relax from the war effort and take a chance on being shot for one.

How Come?

The curb-stone military expert of this department would like to know:

What has become of the German force that cleared the Kerch peninsula of Red army troops before the big push between Kerch and Kharkov started?

Have they retired? If not then they are only about a mile of salt water from the Caucasus mainland, south of the Don, where a Nazi landing in force would outflank the Russian troops defending the south bank of the Don, and catch them in the rear.

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THE most likely explanation is the terrain across the strait from Kerch is not well adapted to a landing in force and is too well fortified to justify an attempt.

On the other hand if the German command did not plan SOME such move along the eastern shores of the Black Sea, (if not at Kerch), why was so much time spent and so many lives sacrificed in reducing Sevastopol?

This is probably all primary stuff from the standpoint of any professional military man, but to the M. T. amateur it is hard to answer. The right answer might be very reassuring to the allied cause,—or might not!

Stalin Still Holds An Ace

The one bright spot in the Russian picture continues to be Voronezh. This strategic point on the Don which Hitler claimed to have taken nearly a month ago is still in Russian hands.

In its latest communique the German High Command, admits the struggle is getting more and more intense in that area, the Nazi defenders being praised for tremendous tenacity.

A fair interpretation of "tremendous tenacity" from the German standpoint would be a Red army advance there but not a break-through.

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AS long as Stalin threatens a break-through in this sector, and his forces are not driven back across the river, tremendous Nazi forces are in real danger of being outflanked.

And if outflanked the losses would be terrific, MIGHT be disastrous. In other words, as long as Voronezh holds out Stalin has an ace in the hole which is of tremendous importance, and while the situation is still serious from the Russian standpoint, it is very far from being hopeless.

So Let the Whistle Blow!

As a brief relief from war news, the latest report on coast football presents a cheering and refreshing contrast.

General DeWitt, chief of the Western Defense Command has given his approval to the coast football schedule, as far as California is concerned.

What goes for the sun-kissed state, must go for Oregon and Washington. This means the pigskin lads will be at it as usual, even though most of the stars will be in Uncle Sam's armed forces, and mostly new faces will be within the leather helmets.

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GENERAL DeWitt, according to Governor Olson, only makes a few natural restrictions. Military regulations will have to be complied with, of course, including speedy dousing of lights on night games if same should be necessary, and the prompt cancellation of games, should there be any sudden and vital change in the military situation.

Naturally the war comes before football and should. But no restriction of crowds is mentioned, and in all likelihood this change of attitude by the coast "high commandoes" means the greatest outdoor sport ever invented will not be a serious war casualty as so many football fans have feared.

And that is all to the good, mates. Both for the better training of future soldiers and sailors and for the public morale!

Thank You, Mr. Mars!

There is one war casualty, however, which the skipper of this column (donning his dark-glasses and Hollywood beret) enthusiastically welcomes,—

That is the double movie-feature.

We have it on the highest authority,—none other than Sam Goldwyn himself,—that double billing has been taking too much time from war subjects, and Samuel predicts a sudden and painless death.

We hope the redoubtable Samuel is as right on this forecast as he is on most.

Double features have been one of the pet aversions of this department since the atrocity was first perpetrated, and for two chief reasons:

(1) The double show is too long and too tiring and,—

(2) Almost invariably it means sitting through a punk performance for the privilege of seeing a mediocre one,—o.k. George, say a FAIRLY good one as contrasted with something really first class.

In short sacrificing quality to quantity, which is the death of any art.

GASOLINE USE IN STATE DECLINES

Salem, July 25—(AP)—Gasoline consumption was 7,267,000 gallons lower in Oregon during the first six months of 1942 than in the same period of 1941, Secretary of State Earl Snell reported today. Total consumption in the 1942 period was 127,257,017 gallons.

Fuels tax collections dropped by $363,868 to an aggregate of $6,362,354 for the first half of this year.

Closing time for Classified Ads 9 a. m.—Too late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

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.

WHO'S DOGMATIC NOW?

By completely ignoring elemental phyiological, anatomical and bacteriological facts thoroly established, your contentions regarding exposure and resistance are curiously dogmatic, (a non-medical reader informs me—he has been carrying on research work for many years and claims membership in Sigma Xi as well as A.A.A.S.). First let us consider the anatomical and physiological aspects of exposing alone. By analogy let us consider the human body as a mechanism involving the heating system of a building. The pipes and radiators are the circulating system . . . the thermostat is the subthalamic region . . . (And so on for eight pages. . . . signed L.A.K.....).

Dr. Brady

Brother, that's just the trouble. You and the many more or less eminint medical or health authorities who contend that exposure lowers "resistance", predisposes to or directly causes whatever illness they please to call a "cold" while physician and patient are wondering what the trouble really is, are always so reluctant to divulge the "established facts" on which the quaint contention is based and so smug in offering such analogies in lieu of facts when seeking to suppress those who want to know the truth.

When one discussing this question—cavils at my teachings, he is likely to toss in a characteristic remark about the "scientific" or "accepted" view or the "consensus of prevailing medical opinion", meaning that's what he thinks.

My friend, if all your years of medical research gave you nothing better than the analogy you offer to sustain your notion about the effects of exposure to cold, you should feel frustrated. In long study of the literature, especially published reports of animal or human experiments calculated to show the effects of so-called "exposure" to sudden changes of temperature, drafts, dampness, chilling, I have found nothing that weighs against the actual experience of people who have suffered such exposure most—polar explorers, woodsmen, lumberjacks, fishermen and others whose occupation or sport involves a great deal of exposure. To say nothing of the experience of thousands of men who suffered extreme exposure to cold and wet in the trenches in the first World War.

You have one great advantage—nine out of ten older folk, medical and laymen, share your opinion of the effect of everyday "exposure". That puts the few who do not fear everyday "exposure" on the unpopular side of the argument.

But remember this, brother. It is still an argument, a controversy, if you like, and you can't end it by arbitrarily asserting that the view you take is "established fact". That era of American medicine is over. People nowadays demand something more than dogmatic pronouncications.

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Papaya

What food value has papaya or papaya juice? A preparation called papaya juice is used for tenderizing meats, makes the toughest beef as tender as choicest high grade cut. Would use of this harm digestion? (J.J.O.)

Answer—Papaya or papaya juice compares with grapefruit or grapefruit juice in nutritive value. As an aid to digestion its effect is feeble if appreciable at all. Unripe fruit contains a ferment-like substance which digests protein. Long ago the Indians wrapped meat in papaya leaves to make it tender. Use of papaya juice for this purpose would not harm digestive apparatus.

Fistula and Hemerrhoids

I also want to thank you for recommending Dr. ——. He treated me successfully for hemerrhoids and fistula, and the treatments gave little discomfort and never interfered with my regular work. He is a kind gentleman and an excellent physician. (Mrs. A. G.)

Answer—Thank you. I have never met the doctor but many of his patients have assured me of his skill and kindness.

Boils

I got little relief from treatment suggested in "Relief for Allergy". Another thing, I get thumping headaches at times, say once or twice a month . . . and have had boils that keep coming one after another now for over a year. (H.E.M.)

Answer—Send stamped envelope bearing your address for pamphlet "Why Have Headache?" Booklet "Save Your Skin" deals with pimples, boils, carbuncles, etc.—for copy send 25 cents additional.

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

News Behind The News

by Paul Mallon

(Continued from Page One)

tov. They had to face the possibility that the Russians might even wind up the summer with the loss of Leningrad and Moscow, and be thrown back upon a line running roughly from Astrakhan to Murmansk. Any notion that the Reds might surrender, however, did not enter any official mind. All were desperately impatient for signs of the expected Russian counter attack.

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MR. HULL'S idea for the post-war world recognized and accepted many aims of Vice-President Wallace and his corps of promoters, but leveled these down to an entirely different plane. Mr. Hull advocated "co-operation among nations," not a new league of nations, or a single world democracy, or "union now." He advocated helping needy nations which show genuine willingness to cooperate fairly in a new world trade system, not a free-for-all new deal spending program to industrialize the world at our expense.

While he wanted an international police force and disarmament, he talked none of Mr. Wallace's wage scales for remote peoples or the quart of milk a day for the beer-drinking workers of Europe and other dietary matters.

Here again Mr. Hull seemed to be standing at the right of the new deal, facing the extremists of the left—a fact which suggests that Mr. Roosevelt may be preparing the way to emerge eventually with a program of his own lying half-way between the two.

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AMONG the toes upon which Mr. Hull seemed lightly to tread were those of Dr. Alvin H. Hansen, Harvard, special thinker for the Natural Resources Planning Board. Dr. Hanson offered his views for the post-war world in an interview published in the Chicago Journal of Commerce, June 27.

He advocated "boldness."

He wants "an administrative democracy," which sounds very much more like a centralized state than a people's government, with a federal debt burden of perhaps $250,000,000,000 or more to start with; continuation of the existing tax scale on the people, continued price and production controls on business, and something sensationally new—to the public at least—a surrender by congress to the president of specific powers over spending and taxation, whereby congress would merely fix the limits and let the executive department fix the taxes and work out the spending.

In this last instance again, he would take power from the direct representatives of the people in congress, and put it into the hands of one man.

Communications

Not All Rats!

To the editor:

I want to answer the communication "Cantonment Worker Complains" of your last Thursday issue.

It is a true fact that in any group of 1,000 people you will find a number of "rats." This goes for any group—you find them in churches, lodges, service groups, clubs—anywheer. Thsi type is so small that a dollar looks awful big to them; bigger than friendship, principle, honesty or any other virtue. There are some 15,000 people in Medford and each 1,000 has its share. The rest of the people are as fine as you can find anywhere.

This complaining cantonment worker evidently bumped into a bunch of these "rats" all in a row, but you can't judge the whole of Medford because of that.

GEO. IVERSON
Medford, July 25.

Kelly's Comment

From Washington, D. C.

Northwest May Be Army Jumpoff

Must Oust Japs From Aleutians

McNary in Favor Of Rubber Czar

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., July 25—If this war continues long enough the Pacific northwest may be the jumping off place for men and munitions for Russia and Siberia and far-off China and India. But before this can develop American troops must remove every trace of the Japanese toehold in the Aleutian islands, and cargo carrying planes and transport planes for troops now being built must be expedited.

Roughly, the strategists are studying the far north in a new light. It is possible that supplies from the northwest may be shipped through Bering sea into the Arctic and then along the so-called northern sea route to Murmansk. This is a route full of ice and bad weather and extends to about 75 degrees north latitude, but the Russians have been navigating most of the way for a dozen years or more. At present American supplies for Russia are going to Murmansk out of Atlantic coast ports in convoys. If the Japanese menace in the Aleutians is removed the route to Murmansk via the Arctic from the northwest will be free from all difficulties other than those of nature.

The motor road now being built through British Columbia by United States army engineers (the prairie route not wanted by Alaskans nor residents of the northwest who have studied highway possibilities), is to be a link in a road to Siberia. The highway will bring supplies from Detroit and wheat from Chicago. Now under survey is a railroad near the coast, which meets with the approval of Alaskans and Washington and Oregon, for over this route supplies can move from those states. These routes are tentatively planned to reach Bering strait near its narrowest point (which is about 50 miles wide), then supplies can be moved over the strait by air or water to the Siberian shore and thence, possibly, to Irkutsk.

To reach China and India the cargo planes and transports can taxi from air fields near Spokane, Everett, Portland, or wherever the war department selects a port of aerial embarkation. It could be Pasco. These supplies and men can take the route to Alaska, then sweep out over the Aleutians to Siberia and thence to China and India. These routes depend, with the exception of the motor highway, on air transport. As reported in this space several weeks ago a factory in Pennsylvania now has an order for 900 cargo planes and work is in progress. Captain Eddie Rickenbacker predicted two weeks ago that 10,000 cargo and transport planes were in the offing, and Henry Kaiser proposes 5000 transport planes (70 tons each) a year be built, half of them in west coast shipyards.

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NONE of these routes, however are tenable with the Japanese entrenched in the Aleutians, for they could be a nuisance to steamers threading the Bering sea headed for the Arctic route (Japanese have already been poking around Bristol bay) or the ferrying of material on the land route across Bering strait, or cargo planes departing from fields in the northwest for China or India. From such reports as are obtainable the Japanese are determined to hold the bases they have captured—Kiska being a harbor of unusual size with an entrance that can be easily mined.

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ON the petition addressed to President Roosevelt urging him to cancel the deportation order against Harry Bridges, west coast CIO leader, which would ship him back to his native land—Australia—are the signatures of many union men of the northwest, but apparently not AFL members. Among other signers are some who were opposed to the war before Hitler struck at Russia and who then called the war "imperialistic."

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SENATORS McNary, Norris and Gillette, who have sponsored a bill creating a rubber czar, have met with opposition from Don Nelson of war production board. Mr. Nelson has a rubber division (so have several other agencies) and says that if the senate should establish such an official it would be an infringement upon the authority of President Roosevelt. Mr. Nelson was, however, speaking for himself. The committee is of the opinion that rubber made from alcohol, and the alcohol derived from wheat, would be cheaper than that produced by petroleum.

The senators are all members of the agricultural committee and feel satisfied that the petroleum advisors of Mr. Nelson are unsympathetic to the alcohol process. The committee had a chart prepared to show the background of these advisors and were not surprised when the entire outfit disclosed connections with the oil industry. Mr. Nelson insists that while the alcohol process might be satisfactory, he cannot grant priorities for distilleries to handle the grain. A senator-created rubber dictator would look after priorities himself and not ask permission from Mr. Nelson.

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 26, 1932
(It was Tuesday)

Crater Lake praised by editor of National Geographic, as "most beautiful and wonderful mountain resort in the world."

Talent service station ransacked, as petty thieving gains in county.

Business signs throughout the nation indicate better times.

Presbyterians of state in Albany session voice strong opposition to repeal of prohibition

Auto license moratorium in state to end July 31. All without plates face arrest.

Fair with little change. High 94, low 54 degrees.

Janitor named for courthouse. There were 64 applicants.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

July 26, 1922
(It was Wednesday)

City Recorder Mose L. Alford is fined $5 for watering with an open hose and pleads guilty.

Recall excitement grows with flood of affidavits.

Former members of local Klan testify before grand jury.

Giants defeat St. Louis and take National league lead.

Allies demand Germany dismantle fire control station on Kiel canal.

Fair and warmer. High 84, low 49 degrees.

President Harding again tries to end rail strike.

Closing time for Classified Ads 9 a. m.—Too late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

MARY MORELOCK FUNERAL MONDAY

Services for Mrs. Mary Jane Morelock, who passed away at her home in Gold Hill Wednesday afternoon at the age of 87, will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall in Gold Hill Monday morning at 10:30 with the Rev. D. E. Millard officiating. Interment will be in Rock Point cemetery. Arrangements are in care of Conger Funeral Parlors.

She was born in Brownsville, Ore., December 23, 1854. On March 27, 1875, she was united in marriage to J. B. R. Morelock who preceded her in death. They came to Gold Hill in 1891 where she had resided continuously since.

She is survived by six children: O. W. Morelock, Retsil, Wash., Richard Morelock and Mrs. Pearl Bailey, Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Frankie Wood, Weed, Calif., Mrs. Annie McFarren and Mrs. Lela Field, Los Angeles. Mrs. Morelock was the mother of the late Mrs. Oris Crawford.

BABY LESLIE IS YOUNGEST RIDER

Believed to be the youngest person enjoying a ride in one of the 91st Infantry division's "peeps" at the Victory Center Friday and Saturday was Leslie Little, eight-and-one-half-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Little of 2208 East Main street. Leslie was accompanied by his mother, and made a number of baby noises indicating his thorough enjoyment of the experience.

Major Robert Van Roo, ordnance officer of the 91st division, was in charge of the "peep" rides, given to anybody who had purchased war bonds after July 13, or to their children. Many kiddies were spun around town in the little army vehicles, as well as numerous adults. All guns and equipment on display at the Victory Center were the property of the 91st division.

CANNERS OFFERED ADDITIONAL SUGAR

Jackson county residents wishing additional canning sugar may make second application at the rationing board in the city hall, Hobart Price, executive secretary of the rationing board said yesterday.

He also stated that many letters containing canning sugar certificates have been returned to the rationing board due to incomplete addresses. Those who have not received their certificates may telephone or stop at the rationing board office, as their envelope might be among those with insufficient addresses.

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