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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The wood for fuel situation is becoming so acute, in this general area, it is feared there will be no woodpiles for kids to tip over come Halloween, and politicians will have to quit alleging there is a colored gentleman in one of them.

The war picture for the Allies took on a rosier hue last week as the Pacific offensive was launched, and, in the neighborhood of the Solomon Islands things were not Pacific for the Nips.

Activation of the Bartlett pear crop starts tomorrow, in these parts.

F. Luy, the Antelope cowhand has skinned out for Frisco with a repertoire of Hollywood shirts and two pair of cuffless pants.

The need of a railroad-to-the coast was mentioned in Josephine county for the first time in five years last week. The mention of a chrome mine revived the dream and the Cave-men are ready to defend it against any invading force.

Open house was held at Camp White Sat. This was the biggest event in this county since the CCCs boondoggled a road to the top of Roxy Ann.

The G. Fabrick boy Steve is coming along fine, and can say "O Boy". He is as full of vim and vitamins as the G. Cleveland Corum twins, and meets the public like J. Tannehill, the Jack Walker boy.

The renomination last Tues. of Cong. Ham Fish of NY. left a number of valley democrats horrified and aghast. Many declared they had lost all the faith they never had in the republican party. Cong. Fish is notorious for the way he vocally kicked around New Deal notions, and their promulgators.

Thomas (Hungry) Higgins, lawn manicurist and wet-nurse of the city park, dreads the coming of fall and falling leaves, but states, what must be, must be, no matter who is in the White House.

Jack Swem and Jerry Jerome admitted birthdays last week. Neither would divulge how many years had sneaked up on them.

There is considerable talk of a curfew law with teeth in it for juveniles. Others hold this would do no good, but what is needed is less control by parents over the white pine blaster.

A white robin has been hopping around local frontyards the past week. This platinum blonde has caused a number of her more ardent admirers to try and fly upside-down when they think she is looking.

Ginger Rogers of Hollywood and the E. Pt. district had her picture in the Sat Eve Post last week, also Life.

Judge Bill Coleman's grandson, who was here last spring on a visit, and called him "Pappy," is now in the army, and fills out a uniform in great shape.

A number of farmers report they need rain, but are afraid to ask for it.

Dewey Hill, former Prospect hired man, and a good one, now working for his Uncle Sam, is some place in the Middle West, a postcard says.

Navy Needs More Men

The U. S. navy's urgent call for recruits should receive immediate and enthusiastic response from the youth of southern Oregon. The need for this call is clearly indicated by current news reports of the navy's activities.

A few months ago the navy was our first line of defense. Today it is our first line of ATTACK!

Last year we started to build a two-ocean navy. Today our need is a FIVE-ocean navy!

THE smashing attacks upon Jap-held bases in the Solomon Islands is listed as a "navy affair"; the simultaneous thrust at Nipponese strongholds on the Aleutians was also made by navy air and surface craft. These point unmistakably to the fact that the navy's thinking and action are now in terms of "attack". This MUST be the procedure if victory is to be achieved soon. After all, a good offense is the best defense.

WHAT price victory?

It is certain to be high. Make no mistake, the tasks of dislodging the Japs from their numerous South sea bases, near Tulagi and from Kiska, Attu and Agattu will be costly in ships, planes and men. We cannot hope to repeat the one-sided victories of Midway and the Coral seas for they were DEFENSE actions.

Another big job the navy faces is clearing the vital sea lanes in the Arctic, Atlantic and Mediterranean. It will call for more and more battleships, cruisers, destroyers, aircraft carriers, sub-chasers and submarines. It will require an increasing number of airplanes, too—lightning-fast fighters, deadly hell-divers, giant long range bombers.

Moreover, this program of ATTACK means a world-wide network of land and sea bases for ships, planes, tankers and transports.

MEN—500,000 of them—will be needed AT ONCE to send this fast-growing, hard-hitting navy forth to victory. Voluntary enlistment is still possible. Expert training in a choice of 49 skilled jobs, rapid advancement, good pay, plenty to eat, comfortable quarters, and companionship with other alert, stout-hearted young shipmates are among other advantages of naval service, officially mentioned.

THE urgent need for recruits RIGHT NOW prompts us to offer this friendly word to young Americans HERE—

If you are able-bodied you will soon be in the service of your country. The early need for YOUR help is apparent.

Do not wait for your selective service call. Enlist NOW while you may CHOOSE the branch in which you will serve. There's no time like the present.

If you want to do YOUR part RIGHT NOW to win the war, there is a place for YOU in the United States navy.—H.G.

Help Fruit Picking

"What can I do to help the war effort?" Rogue River valley fruit growers and packers have a ready answer to this question: "lend a hand in harvesting the pear crop this month."

This may seem a bit far fetched but it isn't at all. There IS a direct connection between picking and packing the ripened pear crop here and the war effort. Although the oft-used slogan "food will win the war" may be slightly over-drawn, victory WITHOUT food is obviously impossible.

INDEED, every item of food that is produced is important to the nation's health, wealth and livelihood. Some of this food goes directly to the various fronts and army camps to keep fighting men in fighting trim physically. Other items of food strengthen those on the home front. Assistance given to harvesting any crop relieves manpower for other war efforts; often eliminates costly food spoilage.

IT appears now that the critical labor situation, which has had Rogue River valley growers worried for some time, is somewhat brighter. This is due to the whole-hearted cooperation of local merchants, labor unions and the general public. The willingness of women to do their part is encouraging.

But the battle is not won. Not until the last pear is picked and packed away will this community's obligation be discharged.

SEVENTY-FIVE pickers, the vanguard of the "pear picking commandos", will go on duty Monday morning. Every man, woman and child who can possibly be spared from other essential tasks should "enlist" for the harvest duration.

Wages are good. There is ample opportunity to earn several war savings bonds during the picking and packing season.

So, you CAN help the war effort right here at home—and help yourself and your neighbors, also the pear growers, at the same time.—H.G.

JAP AIR LOSSES

190; YANKS 104

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Lieut. General H. H. Arnold reported today that 1,010 American planes had engaged 1,459 Japanese planes in seven months of warfare and 3 destroyed 190. In these battles 104 American planes were lost.

"This doesn't include enemy planes damaged, probably destroyed, or lost on the ground, the air forces' commander told a press conference.

The American volunteer group, fighting for China, shot down 218 planes while losing 1 before disbanding recently.

DESCENDANT JOINS

Providence, R. I. (U.S.)—Clarence Chase Williams of Pascoag, direct descendant of Roger Williams, founder of Rhode Island, was the 1,000th man to enlist in the navy since the recruiting station opened here.

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, 285 E. Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

NOT ONLY ANONYMOUS BUT ELUSIVE

My husband has been drinking for some time and lately has become an habitual drinker (writes Mrs. S. Somebody). He still has a job but he doesn't do as well as he should. He has no sense of responsibility and is now nearly bankrupt. The children and I are feeling the effects of all this, but no where can I find practical help for the problem. I don't want to undertake legal action to confine him to an institution. A good doctor I know suggested that perhaps "Alcoholics Anonymous" could help me but couldn't tell me where to go or to whom to apply for information. I believe you mentioned "Alcoholics Anonymous" in your column once, and if my recollection is right about this I feel sure you can tell me what I need to know (Mrs. S. Somebody).

With all the sympathy in the world, Ma'am, I can tell you one thing you need to know, something every prospective bride needs to know, namely, that an unexceptionable condition or requirement for marriage should be a solemn pledge of both parties against the use of alcoholic beverage or liquor at least until the partnership is dissolved or any children are old enough to take care themselves. It seems to me that those who administered the sacrament of marriage or perform the legal ceremony ought to use their influence to persuade couples seeking marriage to give this pledge, for the happiness of the family and the welfare of society in general.

Unfortunately I am no better prepared to tell you where to go or to whom to apply for information concerning "Alcoholics Anonymous" than your own physician friend is. I wish I could put you in touch with such a group or some member of a group of "Alcoholics Anonymous" in your city or vicinity, for I believe it might help your husband to find his way back. But "Alcoholics Anonymous" are "Alcoholics Elusive" so far as my efforts to learn anything about them go.

On request, accompanied with a stamped envelope bearing your address, I will send a copy of my booklet "Dipsomania"—a practical consideration of the cause, prevention and treatment of the craving for alcoholic liquor. Enclose ten cents coin for the booklet. A method of treatment for inebriety recommended in the booklet is the Lambert method—given to the medical profession some thirty years ago by Dr. Alexander Lambert. Any good physician can give this treatment to his patient at home or in hospital with fair prospect of success. Technic and full details of the method were published in the Jour. A. M. A. by Dr. Lambert. On a physician's request, accompanied with stamped envelope bearing his address, I am glad to send reference to Lambert's articles which will give the physician adequate working knowledge of the method.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Athlete's Foot

Doctor I play golf with a canebrake-phenol mixture so much touted by the magazine for athlete's foot is not safe, and that the government authorities have issued a warning against it. (W.C.)

Answer—That is true. Safest and best remedy for ringworm (foot itch, athlete's foot) is Whitfield's ointment. I believe, Whitfield's consists of 15 grains salicylic acid, 25 grains benzoic acid, 2 drams soft petrolatum, with enough coconut oil (not "coco butter") or benzoated lard to make one ounce.

Pectoris Dolor

I suppose you can't tell us anything about angina pectoris—my husband suffers from it and has found no relief so far. (L. E. S.)

Answer—Chapter on the subject in the booklet "CVD"—cardiovascular degeneration. For copy send ten cents and stamped envelope bearing your address. Have not sufficient space here.

Lotion for Red, Rough Skin

Your home made hand lotion has been in use in our family for many years, and it keeps the skin soft and smooth in spite of harsh soaps and other cleaning agents. (Mrs. P. E. M.)

Heat 1½ teaspoonfuls tragacanth shavings in a pint of rain water or distilled water until clear mucilage is obtained. Then add tablespoonful of glycerin and three teaspoonfuls of boracic acid. Label SKIN LOTION. Apply a few drops to skin after washing and before skin is quite dry, two or three times daily. For chapping, roughness, redness, irritation, and after shaving. (Copyright 1942, John F. Dille Co.)

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will be ready to meet us by Russia falls.

This red authority said invasion by Norway and Italy would not suffice. If we struck at either of those strategically desirable points, we would not relieve the pressure on the Russian front. Only a bold thrust into France would do.

His points are all more or less true but do not go deep enough into the facts.

JUST keep in mind during all this second front argument that it requires 15 gross tons of shipping to send a single soldier to the second front and two tons of shipping a month to sustain him. Round trips of ships to the British war zone can now generally be completed in a month, although it requires about three months per ship for a round trip to Australia.

While an initial striking venture could be instituted by say 300,000 troops, constant heavy replacements of both men and material would be necessary. The force to be made ready must be several times that large. We have only been in this war eight months.

PENNY-A-PLANE

COLLECTS \$1,035

The Penny-a-Plane Club sponsored by the Redman and Pochontas lodges of Medford has collected a total of \$1,035 to date, which has been sent to Washington, D. C., toward the purchase of a fighter plane for the United States armed forces. The club announced Saturday.

The club was formed January 18 of this year. A monthly collection is made from the Penny-a-Plane cans and the money is sent to the Secretary of War. Total collections in July were \$96.89.

In announcing the total collection, the lodges expressed thanks to those who have aided in making the collection a success and voiced the hope that "we can continue to help 'keep them flying'."

The capacity of the American pulp and paper industry has increased tremendously in the past several years.

Kelly's Comment

From Washington, D. C.

Scrap Iron Sale

Now Seen Folly

Navy, deSeversky Doubt Kaiser Plan

North Sea Guide Given Soldiers

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., Aug. 15.—Out of Puget sound and Columbia river ports for years went steel and iron scrap. It was a good business for the junkmen. It gave the Japanese what they wanted for war. How much scrap was carried away in Japanese freighters is a matter in dispute; it is estimated all the way from eight to 20 million tons. Today those shipments of scrap are slowing down war production. Donald Nelson of war production board has been taking large display advertisements appealing for old iron and steel. Throughout the Caribbean area scavengers are crawling looking for this scrap to send to steel mills of the United States, and it comes in duty free.

Labor unions of the northwest petitioned that the sale of scrap to the Japanese be stopped; senators from Washington and Oregon introduced bills to that end. The administration was "babbling" the Japanese with scrap and some \$220,000,000 of petroleum products, plus airplanes and parts. The Japanese began returning the scrap at Pearl Harbor, at Wake, at Attu and Kiska, sending it into the bodies of American soldiers, sailors and aviators. As one congressman says, the scrap sent to Japan between 1937 and 1940 would build 20 battleships of 45,000 tons each; 50 plane carriers of 30,000 tons each; 100 cruisers of 15,000 tons each; 500 submarines of 2,400 tons each and still leave several million tons for planes, tanks, bombs, torpedoes and bullets.

The steel situation, because of lack of scrap, has caused several plants with war orders to close. Production is not as great as it was in June. Gen. Brehon Somervell is said to have written a letter to Nelson in July warning that 98 plants would be waiting for steel shortly, suggesting the matter receive attention. The letter went into the files without anyone in authority seeing it. Rumored that Somervell will soon become the actual head of WPB but that Nelson will be the "front." The steel problem looms in the Pacific northwest where a great shipbuilding program is in progress which will bog down unless somewhere steel and iron scrap is found for the mills.

Steel manufacturers say there is an abundance of sheet steel available for ships and tanks, but a shortage of bars from which nuts and bolts also required for ships and tanks, are produced. The Truman senate committee is now conducting an inquiry into steel to learn, if possible, what is wrong and who is responsible.

HENRY J. KAISER may build 100 airplanes of 70 tons each, but there are Doubting Thomases. For one, the navy department is not enthusiastic. Another is Maj. A. P. de Seversky, who declares that a flying boat such as the Mars type has to carry too much weight (pontoons, etc.) and he champions a land plane of greater "pay load" capacity. Major Seversky is a builder of planes who recently published a book, "Victory Through Air Power," that has caused heated discussion. Others say that if the government wants mass production of the 70-toners (as proposed by Kaiser) the man to make them is Glenn Martin, who was three years in completing the Mars. The Kaiser "letter of intent" is worthless unless he can find the materials of aluminum, magnesium and steel necessary from other sources than those now employed on the program of the army and navy. But on other construction jobs Kaiser has solved the problem of materials by building plants of his own. (He now is building a steel and a magnesium plant at Permanente, Calif.)

In a 38-page report Joe Kennedy, then chairman of maritime commission, sent to congress a proposal that the subsidy granted shipping companies be extended to long range airplanes. If, said Kennedy in 1937, private enterprise is timid, several of the massive cargo carriers should be built by the government and leased to private operators. In March, 1938, the house

committee on merchant marine and fisheries started hearings, but Kennedy had been sent as ambassador to England and the committee dropped proceedings. The plan would have given a good start to long-range freight carriers had the committee acted. Grover Loening, who was aeronautical adviser to Kennedy, is now occupying a similar position with WPB.

WHEN the trans-polar fliers from Russia sat down their plane at Vancouver after pausing at Nome, in the cabin was a book they carried to use in event they were stalled or crashed in the Arctic. It was Stefansson's "The Friendly Arctic." The book contained instructions on how to live in the Arctic and be comfortable. Scientists had said there were no fish in polar regions. Stefansson knew there was fish because there were seals, and knew seals attracted polar bears. The war department has prepared a booklet giving his information and copies will be in the duffle bag of soldiers in the Nome area, Iceland and Greenland. If necessary, Uncle Sam's troops can live like an Eskimo—off the country.

NAME COMMITTEE FOR NAVY DRIVE

A local committee of citizens has been formed to cooperate with U. S. navy officials in a local campaign for navy recruits, tying in with a nationwide drive for a half million men to help man the growing American sea force. Members of the Medford committee, appointed by Mayor H. S. Duwel, are E. H. Hedrick, superintendent of Medford schools, Eugene Thorndike, Medford banker, Leonard Mayfield, principal of Medford high school, Jack Carpenter, local navy recruiting officer, Kenneth Wells, scout executive, and Herb Grey of the Mail Tribune. The committee met Friday to perfect plans for the local campaign.

The need for added personnel to man the new ships now being completed has been emphasized by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox and other high government officials. Voluntary enlistment in this branch of the service is now possible and young men likely to be soon drafted are being approached with interesting informative material dealing with navy life and opportunities of this service. A new illustrated booklet, "Men Make the Navy," is now available at the navy recruiting office in the post office building here.

FORMATION NEW ARMY CORPS DUE

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Formation of two new army corps was announced today by Lieutenant General Lesley J. McNair, commander of the army ground forces.

They were the tenth corps, commanded by Major General Courtney H. Hodges, Perry, Ga., with headquarters at Sherman, Tex., and the 11th, commanded by Major General Lloyd R. Fredendall, Vancouver Barracks, Wash., which has headquarters at Chicago.

An army corps is composed of two or more divisions.

Ye Poets Corner

FOREST FIRE

The sun descends in brassy sky
A sullen, red and threatening eye
O'er valleys fair a haze is hung
And crimson, smoky streamers flung.
A thousand demon tongues devour,
And lay a scourge on leafy bower,
A ghastly, skeleton array
Where swayed the pines of yesterday;
For perished creatures, winged and furred,
The moon looks down from bleary skies
On outraged nature, as she lies
Panting beneath this inferno
On flower and fern and shady tree,
Then hope springs up and life goes on,
For every night there is a dawn.
But ever in the shadows lurk
Destroyers of God's handiwork:
To pounce like vicious beasts of prey—
Destruction holds its mighty sway.
—CARMA McCARTY.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

August 16, 1932
(It was Tuesday)
Tomatoes bring low prices on Portland market.

Max Pierce passes the cigars, in honor of the arrival at his house of a son, to be named Maxwell Pierce.

American athletes emerge from Olympics with lion's share of honors.

Dry leaders urge Sen. Borah of Idaho to enter presidential race.

Fruit of valley not damaged by hail and wind of Sunday.

Striking farmers bar Iowa roads and law to take firm stand.

State police to round up gangs raiding valley gardens.

Upstate press takes vitriolic mention of agitation raging here.

Cloudy and unsettled. High 86, low 46 degrees.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

August 16, 1912
(It was Wednesday)

President decides to take decisive action in railroad strike and congress will act promptly.

Coast IWW's reported active in labor agitation.

Miss Helen Strang returns from a trip to Diamond Lake with friends.

Mrs. C. J. Semon, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is improving.

County fair concessions now on sale.

Republicans of county to hold rally at Hotel Medford tomorrow night with Walter Toote, state chairman, the speaker.

Fair. High 83.5, low 56.5 degrees.

Lorna Kubli Leaves for WAAC Training At Fort Des Moines

Big Applegate, Aug. 15.—(Spl.) Of interest locally is the enlistment of Miss Lorna Kubli of Portland in the Women's Army Auxiliary corps, and in this connection, Miss Kubli left for Fort Des Moines, Iowa, a short time ago, coming here for a brief visit with relatives before her departure. Miss Kubli, daughter of Chester Kubli of Junction City, and granddaughter of Mrs. Maud Kubli of this community, is well known here, where she spent her childhood.

Miss Kubli, with a group of 30 other girls from Portland who are the first group of enlistees from that city in the WAAC, has qualified for officers' training at Des Moines, and will be subject to call for duty in any part of the world, although not in the fighting forces.

Miss Kubli, a graduate of Medford business college, has been employed in Portland with the army engineers and in the administrative department of WPA.

Births

WEBER.—To Mr. and Mrs. G. P., Rt. 4, Medford, August 10, a boy, seven pounds, at Sacred Heart hospital.

ELROD.—To Mr. and Mrs. Franklin, Rt. 4, Medford, August 14, a girl, seven pounds, at Sacred Heart hospital.

DOWLER.—To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, 57 N. Peach street, Medford, August 14, a girl, five pounds, at Sacred Heart hospital.

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