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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

One of the Vanderbilt girls, who struggled along this year on \$64,500, won't be able to make it in 1943 unless she gets \$2,000 more, counsel informs the court handling her affairs. This does not include "pin money." If the farmer is forced to estimate how much hay he is going to put on his hind tires the lady should be directed to tell how many pins she is going to buy the coming year.

The CIO of California charges the Henry J. Kaiser enterprises are "better press agents than producers of war materials." They poke along and launch a ship in less time than it takes to call a strike or end it.

"This dog-gone labor shortage may force housewives to slice their bread again." — (Pierce (Mo.) Leader).—The war gets rough.

The coffee shortage situation is improving slightly. It may not be necessary for a citizen to sneak down a dark alley to get an illicit cup of it.

It is now proposed to plow up the golf links for gardens next spring. In a match game last Sunday Tonsorialist Tod Porter carded 63, on the back nine. He was weak on short pecks with new hoe and slashed a thistle into the string-bean section.

"As Pallette once lived among the Sioux, in a picture, he should know how to manage a scalping knife." — (Pendleton East Oregonian).—Plumb full of tribal lore and tricks.

Marshal Erwin Rommel, the late "Fox of the Desert," touted by Nazis last summer as a military genius better than Napoleon, and as good as Corp. A. Hitler is showing his heels, as well as other rear sections of his anatomy to the British. He sure is a "swifflie." Judges 15-4 depicts his misery, to wit: "Samson went and caught three hundred foxes and took firebrands and turned tail to tail and put a firebrand in the midst between two tails."

"GRINDSTONE THIEF ELUDES LAW." — (Red Bluff (Calif.) News).—A man must have one to keep his nose on.

Commentators have started protesting the New Deal trend to ask nothing for America at the peace table except the right to be the goat of World War II. They scent a idealistic notion to give Maine to Ireland in payment for the grass scuffed up in Dublin by Yankee troops.

Portland reports a cougar at large in one of its suburbs. Once in early 20's a great, grey timber wolf roamed the Jville area, that turned out to be the sheriff's shiftless bloodhound.

The weatherman is now serving fog. This is no worse than his recent offerings have been, but more cussable.

Spain is closely watched by the Allied leaders. A land that gave the rest of the world "Spanish influenza" a decade or so back, needs watching.

Returning war correspondents from the South Pacific quash the legend all Japanese troops are in a constant mood to commit suicide rather than be captured. One reports the nearest thing he saw to "hara-kari" was when a caught Nipp, fanatical jabbed himself in the stomach with his own thumb while yelling "Banzai!" Like the rest of the peoples, he regards death as entirely too permanent.

About 1,300,000 women are members of AFL unions and 1,500,000 belong to CIO unions. The Railroad Brotherhoods also have women members.

"The Nation" Loses

Well the long-winded debate over the elevation of Admiral Darlan has apparently been lost,—By "The Nation."

At least the recent issues of that excellent magazine, directly and indirectly, now admit this action by General Eisenhower, was "probably" justified by "military expediency."

That has been this paper's contention all along. First things should come first, and in the midst of a war to the death, military considerations should come before all others.

In other words if this move was justified by military expediency then it was right.

And the Nation and other ultra liberal mediums of opinion, were wrong in condemning General Eisenhower, Secretary of State Hull, President Roosevelt, et al, for refusing to sanction a political debate in North Africa, while the Vichy French troops mowed down the Yanks with bombs and machine guns.

The amazing thing to this department, is not that the Fighting French proponents now admit it, but that they ever contended otherwise.

We believe it is the first time in the history of war, that high representatives of any combatant nation have, in the midst of the fighting, seriously advocated purely political considerations being placed before military ones!

Another \$64 Question

"The Devil was sick,—the Devil a monk would be;
"The Devil was well,—the Devil a monk was he!"

That is the only explanation we can offer for Benito Mussolini and his latest speech about the war,—the man really must be sick, and seriously so. Otherwise how could he suddenly become such a "monk?"

For here is the most extraordinarily frank and damaging confession of guilt and weakness, made by any leader on either side in this conflict, since World War No. 2 started.

And by a dictator who hitherto has been the most bombastic, vainglorious and boastful. A copy of the speech in fact only strengthens our original belief, that this amazing apologia has never received the notice it deserves.

IMAGINE! Benito doesn't even deny he is what Winston Churchill called him, a hyena!

He doesn't exactly admit it. But he maintains he doesn't call Churchill any such names and therefore rates as a "thousand times more the gentleman!"

And he does admit he stabbed France in the back, but in the mood of a shamefaced juvenile fist-cuffer claims France stabbed Italy FIRST.

NOT a suggestion throughout of victory or even ultimate avoidance of defeat. In fact Il Duce admits he no longer likes to forecast the future, one thing only being certain,—this most formidable struggle in human history is a question of to be or not to be,—a question of destruction or survival.

Whereupon the former strident and strutting "Caesar" declaring only Fascist Italy tells the truth, listed Italy's was casualties to date:

Dead: Army, 40,588; Navy, 33,500; Air, 20,124.
Wounded: 80,772.
Missing, 37,000.
Prisoners: 232,778. Total, 444,762.

And this in a country with a population only about a third that of the United States!

WHAT'S the answer? What is the big idea? The entire speech has this department stumped. It appears to be a problem for Hitler's favorite doctor,—or alienist!

Vladivostok Again

Our special operative in Washington, D. C., reports a terrific struggle is going on there between certain airpower and naval experts, over the war in the South Pacific.

The air experts, according to this report, want to abandon the attempt to reach Japan by the way of the Solomons and Philippines, and strike directly from Vladivostok via the Aleutians.

The navy not only maintains the Japs must first be driven out of the Philippines, but to start anything through the Aleutians would result in a Siberian attack on Russia by Japan, and perhaps Stalin's defeat.

THIS "typewriter strategist" can't rule on the contest from a technical standpoint of course,—the air and naval experts will have to thresh that out. Moreover as all readers of this department will recall, this U. S. attack on Tokyo from Vladivostok has always been a pet scheme of ours (in fact records will show it was first suggested in this column a year ago this month) so this court would be prejudiced.

BUT speaking entirely from a very general and layman's standpoint it has always seemed to us that staging an attack on Japan from Australia was taking the long way around, when a much shorter and surer route lay through the North Pacific with Alaska as a base.

This idea wasn't entirely original with us. In a conversation with General Arnold before the war with Japan started and before the General was chief of U. S. air, he remarked, that in any war in the Pacific, ALASKA (NOT Medford!) would be the corner-stone of U. S. offense and defense!

On the other hand, of course it is obvious that had strong U. S. forces NOT been sent to the South Pacific and kept there, Australia would long ago have been conquered by the Japs!

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, 365 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

THYROID AND BED WETTING

A boy aged nine years who had adenoids was subject to the habit of bed-wetting. The doctor (London Lancet, 8-1-'09) hoped that removal of the adenoids might stop the bed-wetting, but on the contrary the boy was worse after the operation than before. Then the doctor suspected that removal of the adenoids had deprived the boy of a necessary internal secretion, so he gave the boy a small dose of thyroid extract daily. Promptly the boy stopped wetting the bed and never had any further trouble from that habit. Then the doctor tried thyroid treatment in twenty-four other cases of bed-wetting, and all except one responded to the treatment as well as the boy who had lost his adenoids.

The doctor observed that all of these bed-wetting children who were so remarkably helped by thyroid were underweight, underweight, had low vitality, constantly sub-normal body temperature, frequently complained of feeling cold even in warm summer weather or in surroundings which other people considered perfectly comfortable, and often had cold, blanched fingers and hands. Many of them had adenoids and high arched palate.

(Laymen cannot obtain thyroid extract even if it were safe to use it without medical supervision. Physicians may find data on the subject in Forchheimer's *Thyroidism and Principles of Medicine*, Vol. I. This is all I can tell anybody about it.) On request, if you supply a stamped envelope bearing your address,—be sure to name your city or town—I'll mail a pamphlet on "The Habit of Bed-wetting."

Children of any age who have this habit should never be the measure with a whoop. In the senate a handful did the same thing. There were rumbles that a veto would come from the White House, if the president did not change his stand

ridiculed, punished or humiliated by talking about it in the presence of other persons (except the doctor). No child wants to wet the bed. The intelligent, kind parent will endeavor to keep it a secret between the child and himself or herself, and that attitude is a distinct help in the control of the habit.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
Lose Stamp Will Not Suffice
Gentlemen: Kindly send at your earliest convenience a copy of Brady's pamphlet pertaining to Artificial Respiration. It was recently brought to my attention. (W. J.)

Answer—That's just it, brother. It is NOT convenient to send you anything unless you provide a stamped envelope bearing your address. A stamp clipped on a postcard will not suffice. Ole Doc Brady refuses to take time out to address envelope for correspondents, but he gladly furnishes what advice or instruction he can when readers comply with the rules.

Have Some More Borsch
I enjoy eating beet soup (borsch) and have it at supper twice a week. I take two platefuls at one sitting. Next day I notice ailing discharges are colored red. Is this from the beet juice or is it possible that this causes bleeding in the stomach or bowel? (S. W.)

Answer—From the beet juice. Wow, it is just eight hours since breakfast—a fine time to turn my mind to borsch.

Carrot Juice
Does freshly expressed carrot juice lose anything of value if it is kept in the refrigerator, tightly bottled, over night? (C. P.)

Answer—Any fresh fruit juice or fresh vegetable juice loses more or less of its vitamin C when it stands several hours, whether it is tightly bottled or not. Always better to take it right after expressing from the vegetable or fruit. Eating the fresh vegetable or fruit is of course better than drinking only the expressed juice.

Chicory
Is chicory mixed with coffee a wholesome drink? (Mrs. H. F.)
Answer—Yes. Or chicory without any coffee is wholesome, if you like it. Some people prefer a blend of chicory with coffee to straight coffee. (Copyright 1942, John F. Dille Co.)

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of a few months ago, and a veto would make the farmers angry with Mr. Roosevelt.

PAUL V. McNUTT can tell you where to work and how much you will receive in his role of dictator of man power. No other man in the history of the United States ever had such control over the jobs of everyone as McNutt, and congress never vested skilled workers in war industries by shifting them from non-essential civilian industries and from pools of surplus labor to where there is a shortage. McNutt is headed for a headache.

REPORTED that wooden ships may be undertaken in the northwest on a prefabricated basis in a new yard next year. A model has been displayed to higher-ups in the national capital showing how the prefabrication can be used in the process. The model ship was seven feet long. Officials were impressed by the revolutionary method. The wood boats would require more time than a prefabricated welded steel cargo carries. The Pacific northwest will be selected, if anything is done, because that is the region where all the necessary wood is obtainable.

Flight 'o Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
December 16, 1932
(It was Friday)
People urged to feed birds dur-

cloud weather.

Four hurt when bus plunges over Tolo overpass.

President-elect Roosevelt having tough time making cabinet selections.

Continued light rains or sleet. High 42, low 21 degrees.

President Hoover plans Florida vacation.

New 1933 Chevrolet to be demonstrated and shown here tomorrow.

Medford high basketball team to play Shasta Friday in first game of season.

Ashland-Talent section of Pacific highway to be widened.

Twenty years ago today
December 16, 1922
(It was Saturday)
Angle opera house to be made into modern office rooms.

Gold Hill will install new water system.

Site of new Ashland Hotel is

selected, and enterprise has \$300,000 capital.

Central Point high school to stage play tonight.

Many local people buying lots on Rogue river.

Fair with continued cold. High 43, low 19.9 degrees.

AUGUST SINGLER RETURNS TO POST

Pfc. August Singler, in the signal corps at Camp Crowder, left last week to return to duty after enjoying a ten-day furlough here with his mother, Mrs. Rose R. Singler, 514 S. Grape street, and other relatives.

While on maneuvers in Tennessee recently Singler made a short visit to South Bend, Ind., to see his brother, A. V. Singler, former Medford resident, who is now foreman of the machine tool floor in the huge Bendix plant. August related that "Val," as he was popularly known here, recently won a cash prize for a suggestion he offered to the Bendix management for more efficient handling of grinding stones.

Ye Poets Corner

American Problem
We can face the meatless ration
And the empty sugar bin,
But what in all tarnation
Can we dunk our doughnuts in?
Carma McCarty,
Trail, Ore.

Special Notice About Colds

Now when distressing colds strike, relieve misery this home-proved, time-tested way that ACTS 2 WAYS AT ONCE

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IF THROAT IS SORE—Let a small lump of Vicks VapoRub melt in your mouth. It relieves throat irritation due to colds—brings soothing comfort. Try it!

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FAMOUS WAR CORRESPONDENT

Manager European Division of The United Press

JUST BACK FROM A 10 MONTHS, 68,000 MILE TOUR OF WAR FRONTS



Virgil Pinkley watches an aerial "scramble" between British and Axis fighter planes from a fox-hole in the African Desert. He is shown here in the uniform of an American correspondent accredited to the British Middle Eastern Command.

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Don't miss this timely discussion of the war—Mr. Pinkley is an accomplished speaker. Hear his first-hand account of the war—YOU are invited to attend as guests of the Mail Tribune, the Medford Rotary Club, and the League of Women Voters.



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powers—has refused and even passed a bill to which he is opposed (including labor costs in farm parity prices). From now on, and especially after Jan. 3, 1943, the president will not find congress subservient as it has been since March 4, 1933. This he recognizes, as one leader after another (Senator Barkley, Speaker Rayburn, etc.) go to the White House and report that they cannot get the legislation demanded. Congress is preparing to make a sharp line of demarcation between the legislative and the executive branches of government; the president has practically usurped the duties of congress.

THE effect of the "no fourth term" decision (which can be reversed later) is to renew the inner circle task of scouting around for a new leader. The insiders have been split on this point for the past year, but no one to date has received the nod from the president.

IT may cause wonderment why the house passed unanimously the bill to include labor costs in parity prices for the farmer when last September this cost was not included in orders from the White House. At a conference of Democratic leaders John McCormack, majority leader, explained: He could not call a quorum (too many house members were not in the national capital) and the few present—about 37—passed

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