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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Nazis in defeat are ornerly, leaving Naples in ruins, and threatening to do the same to Rome. When peace comes again, movies of German soldiers rebuilding the destroyed cities, with Herr Hitler as a water boy, will be interesting.

Tues. is the 453rd anniversary of the discovery of America by Chris. Columbus. His feat was once likened to the New Deal, to-wit: "When he started out he didn't know where he was going, when he got there he didn't know where he was, and when he got back he didn't know where he had been."

Grasshopper control in this country last summer was a success, with no credit being given the turkeys.

G. Averill, the B. Falls seadog, towed in mid-week after coal oil for his lamp. He got tired sitting around in the dark and quiet of the autumn evenings, disturbed by nothing but the rattle of his own cough.

There was an influx of E.P.T. Browns in town Thurs. Bill called for jury service, caught Royal resting for him.

John Ralston, former telephone expert, showed up the end of the week and reports a victory in his Victory Garden, the past summer.

Stacks to the contrary notwithstanding a shortage of straw looms. There will be enough for straw votes, and to show which way the wind is blowing however.

Justice Bill Coleman has sentenced himself to a mustache, now in the sturdy stubble stage. He flaunted it at the pioneer meeting Thurs.

Pumpkins are now plentiful. It is no longer necessary to use squash in the making of pumpkin pies.

Dawn now cracks around 7:30 a.m.

Woodpeckers and squirrels are all busy filling their cupboards with nuts against the coming of winter. Several have taken the hint and filled their woodsheds.

There will be no collegiate football games this year. Citizens on business trips to Portland will no longer have to waste Saturday in Eugene or Corvallis, to see a man about a detail.

The wild bird hunting season opens next Sat. More shooting than hitting is expected.

The pioneers met at Jville Thurs. with Jim Chinnock of G. Pass as the orator of the day. They met at the old chise, and remembered a Bible and a \$5 gold piece were buried in the cornerstone. A number of pioneer stories—both parlor and back yard—were told.

Some of the leaves have started to turn a meat ration ticket brown.

The horticulturists are in the final throes of pear picking, and expect to finish up without a rain, which is badly needed.

The Ed Kubli boy Norman of the Applegate, who is in the Navy, has gone again after ten days of home cooking.

Bologna, Weiner, and Frankfurter, Axis cities named after sausages, were blasted by allied planes the past week.

There are 1,500 miles of dykes in the Netherlands, controlling sea waters from flooding the land.

To the Women!

When Mrs. Hattie House of this city was called for federal jury service this week, she became the first woman juror ever to serve in this federal court district.

It is simply one of many examples of the increasingly important role of women in the life of America.

Women's "rights" have received more and more recognition since they gained nation-wide suffrage in 1920. Especially in recent years have we seen women entering various professions in growing numbers.

It was not until Pearl Harbor, however, that they really stepped forth into practically every field once completely dominated by men. They exchanged aprons for overalls, skilllets for screw-drivers, dust mops for welding irons.

Today the nation's shipyards, mills and factories are "manned" by housewives and glamour girls—17 million strong. America's magnificent home-front production records would have been impossible without them.

A nation's wealth can best be measured in terms of its manpower—and in these wartime days we add another great resource—woman-power!

Women have invaded the military ranks, too! We have Wacs, Waves, Spars—women in virtually every branch of the armed services—performing vital administrative, clerical and technical work and replacing men for battle stations.

AND so, upon the occasion of National Business Week, October 10 to 16, we find the members of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs reviewing with justifiable pride their achievements in wartime. Medford's active Business and Professional Women's club is joining with similar groups in fitting observance of this "week".

BUT with the theme of this national week, "Living on the Home Front", let us not overlook the HOMEMAKERS of America, whose ancient and honorable profession of maintaining happy, healthy homes cannot be too strongly emphasized. In time of war no individual, no family, no social institution is left untouched by the devastating impact of this supreme struggle. Along with current disruptions to family life, the burdens of readjustment and the job of guiding wisely the youth of the nation, are the lesser, but important tasks of ration-buying and maintaining strength and morale in the home. There are no medals or service ribbons for housewives, much as they are deserved.

WOMEN have, indeed, emerged from their limited horizons of yesteryear and are accepting the challenge of this new age—accepting it with courage and an ever deepening sense of responsibility to their sex, their homes and their nation.—H.G.

The Stitch in Time

One lesson the war ought to teach is the old truth: The time to stop trouble is when it starts. Lowell M. Limpus, a captain in the Officers' Reserve Corps, has just estimated in his new book, "How the Army Fights", that Hitler could have been stopped at the cost of 200 lives in 1936 when he entered the Rhineland. In 1938, when he invaded Austria, he could have been stopped at a cost of 20,000 lives. In the fall of 1938, when he seized Sudetenland, he could have been stopped with the loss of 200,000 lives. So—

"The peace that was purchased in order to preserve 200 lives in 1936 will finally be paid for at the rate of 1,000,000 lives a year."

And perhaps even the 200 lives that might have been lost in 1936 need not have been spent if the United States had, after the last war, joined with England and France to keep the peace.—A.B.

Linguistic Soldiers

"Parlez-vous Chinese?" Many an American soldier, asked that question, can already answer that he does speak Chinese or Hindustani, or some other foreign tongue which was utterly strange to him before the war.

The army is teaching 30 or more languages. Only the barest essentials, perhaps 300 or 350 words, are taught. Phonograph records are used to give the pronunciation. So successful is the method that many soldiers who knew no Italian till they studied it in North Africa were able to talk with the first Sicilian civilians they met.

This is all to the good. Apart from its war value, a knowledge of languages is broadening and tends to provide a bond of good will and better understanding throughout the world.—H.B.

Earth Houses

Housing shortage in your community? No materials available for building? Rammed-earth homes may be the answer. Robert C. Cook, writing in the "New Republic", says that he has built one and lives in it to his great satisfaction.

It sounds like digging a hole in the dirt and crawling in, but is not at all like that. Rammed earth houses are regular houses, made of earth closely packed, with wood used only for roofs and floors. Mr. Cook's house was 18-inch walls, is cool in summer, warm in winter and free from dampness. It has weathered eight-inch downpours, and a rammed-earth church in Charleston, S.C., with 40-foot walls, has gone undamaged through two earthquakes.

Much money is saved in materials and construction. Rammed-earth provides a picturesque if not vitally important answer to the housing problem.—A.B.

Armies of Typewriters

Typewriters to the amazing total of 325,000 are in service in the war, navy and affiliated departments of the United States government, it is disclosed in a Washington news item. To this number will be added, in the next six months, 63,000 more.

What an amazing lot of paper work must pass through these typewriters in the course of twenty-four hours!

A little simple arithmetic reveals that this is one typewriter for every thirty men in the army and navy. A third of a million persons are engaged in a war effort in government departments pounding keys.

It might be a good idea for Uncle Sam to review his typewriter army to ascertain if all this typing is necessary to the war effort. To a taxpayer, pounding a rickety machine to make a living because he cannot get a new one, it seems slightly "TOO MUCH."—R.S.

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.

PRICE SIX FIFTY

Our daughter, eleven years requires to do such work. That, sold, has a beautiful set of teeth (writes a reader), but the lower jaw protrudes farther than the upper and is noticeable. We took her to an orthodontist. He examined her and said she needed a brace on the lower teeth and every tooth had to be banded and she would have to wear the brace for three years and report once a week or so for inspection and adjustment by the orthodontist. Price \$650. Now to us that seems like an awful lot of money. We would like your advice, and we'll do as you say about it. The orthodontist says it has to be done whether he or some one else does it.

Dr. Brady

(Mrs. H.V.G.) I reckon every tooth is worth a thousand dollars. My advice, Ma'am, is that you should have the treatment carried out as the orthodontist outlined for you.

At the same time I take this opportunity to ask a rhetorical question, to wit, why shouldn't your regular family dentist carry out the treatment, with the periodic counsel of the orthodontist?

Perhaps I credit the dentist with more knowledge, skill and technical ability than he really has, and the orthodontist (an orthodontist is a dentist who limits his practice to straightening irregularities of the teeth and correcting deformities of the jaws) with less.

For some reason most dentists are unwilling to undertake such treatment, and in my opinion this is not for want of sufficient skill to do the work but because they are intimidated by the noise the specialists make about the difficulties involved and the vast amount of special training one

has been told that regular application of a mixture of four parts peroxide and one part household ammonia to the hair to keep it bleached light causes deterioration of brain cells. (Mrs. J. A. LaF.)

Answer: Nonsense. It may not do the hair any good, but it can't injure the brain.

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DISMISSAL UNION OFFICIAL CAUSES DRIVERS WALKOUT

Los Angeles, Oct. 9.—(U.P.)—Dispute over dismissal of a union official tonight halted service on a five-state network of Santa Fe Trailways and stranded hundreds of servicemen who normally use the lines for weekend leaves.

More than 200 drivers, members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, have failed to report for work for two days in protest against discharge of L. J. Pierce, union chairman, on grounds of insubordination. Grievance Committee Chairman L. G. Charles denied the men were on strike, explaining that they felt the charges against Pierce were "trumped up" and as a result were "not in the proper condition to go back to work."

Ticket clerks in the southwestern states of California, Arizona, New Mexico, and parts of Colorado and Texas told scores of soldiers, sailors and marines seeking transportation that "our drivers are too sick to work."

"Where are these drivers?" demanded a group of soldiers on furlough as they arrived in Bakersfield by Santa Fe train from San Francisco and found no buses awaiting them for the remainder of their trip into southern California.

The group set out on Bakersfield streets to "find those drivers," but no cases of violence were reported to police.

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DISEASE CONTROL COURSE OFFERED GRADUATE NURSES

A course in communicable disease control nursing will be offered graduate nurses in Jackson, Josephine and Klamath counties Wednesday, October 13 at Sacred Heart hospital, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Blanche Frisbie, Jackson county public health nurse. Sessions will be conducted from 9 a. m. to 12 and from 2 to 4:30 p. m. Nurses will be free to attend any or all lectures and a 50 cent fee will be charged.

Sponsors are the Department of Education of University of Oregon medical school in co-operation with the League of Nursing Education, the state organization of public health nurses and the division of public health nursing of the state board of health.

Lectures will be given on the newer drugs and treatment, nursing care in communicable disease control with demonstrations of the newer technique and procedures, the public health nursing aspects in communicable disease control and the Kenney method for treatment of infantile paralysis.

Arrangements are in charge of the Jackson County Public Health department and anyone, wishing further information, is asked to get in touch with Mrs. Frisbie by telephoning 43883.

More than 8000 doctors in Holland have given up their profession rather than submit to compulsory membership in a Nazi type medical organization.

B.P.W.C. Week Proclaimed

To the Citizens of Medford: I hereby proclaim the week of October 10-16, 1948, National Business Women's Week, and urge our citizens to cooperate with the Business and Professional Women's Club of Medford in its local observance.

The theme of the week is "Living on the Home Front," and it should be the concern of all our citizens. We know that before our country can win the war and the peace in the world we must win it on the home front, in our own country.

The Business and Professional Women's Club of Medford is composed of women who are accustomed to bringing their business training to bear on the problems of their business and their families. They are planning to bring this same experience to bear on some of the problems with which we are struggling here at home.

May success attend their efforts!

C. A. MEEKER, MAYOR.

HUNDREDS WATCH CAMP WHITE SCU PASS IN REVIEW

Camp White, Oct. 9.—(Sp.)—Hundreds of civilians and military personnel witnessed the formal review of service troops of Camp White Friday by their commander, Brig. Gen. Amos Thomas. Against an inspiring backdrop of distant mountains and wispy clouds, under the warm blue of an Indian summer sky, the soldiers began arriving on the review field west of Post Headquarters at 4:45 p. m., marching briskly to their positions on the north side of the field.

Long before they started to march preparations had been made for the event. The mobile amplifications system and microphones had been set up, five jeeps were waiting to carry the reviewing officers, the training division had worked out plans carefully, the photographer had set up his camera on the balcony of the WAC barracks to get a wide panorama of the entire ceremony.

When the troops arrived, 1st Lt. Claude E. Davis quickly stepped forward and addressed his commander. "Sir, the parade is formed."

Retreat was sounded, after which the officers left the reviewing stand and climbed into the five waiting jeeps. Half way across the field the first vehicle, flying the one-star flag of the general, paused to permit Maj. Eugene P. Walters to enter.

Then the procession turned westward and, at the end of the line of 13 companies, swung back for inspection. After completely encircling the parade line, the official party returned to the reviewing stand.

The general quickly revealed his impression of the soldiers whom he had just reviewed. Turning to the microphone, he said to the assemblage, "It was a very creditable performance in every way. I am quite pleased and I know the commanders of each unit are pleased too."

He turned to where the motor of Camp White's new "elephant train" could be heard starting. "While this is somewhat unorthodox, we're using this occasion to show a major portion of the command the new elephant train which was provided by the Post Engineers for the personnel of the camp." The vehicle will be used as a free shuttle bus for the post.

The elephant train slowly moved forward until it reached the line of troops where at three positions groups of specially-selected honor soldiers climbed aboard and rode to the reviewing stand.

To the marching tempo of the SCU band music, the 13 units marched in parade past the general and his officers.

This was the first formal review held by the SCU and attached units to which the public was invited. Regulations on passes to the post were waived to permit civilians to view the ceremony.

LOWEST ACCIDENT RATE Chicago—(U.P.)—Only 1.01 accidents per million man hours in the Hammond Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Co. last year set the national record for similar war plants the company has announced. More than 70,000 large caliber shells or 177 M-4 tanks could be manufactured in the time saved, the bulletin said.

WACS EAT MORE Camp Blanding, Fla.—(U.P.)—Lt. Margaret K. Ellis of Los Angeles, mess officer of the WAC detachment here, reports that out door meals increase appetites of WACS by 50 per cent.

FALL TERM ENDS, VERDICTS GIVEN ARMY LAND SUITS

The 1943 fall term of U. S. district court came to an end Saturday morning with Judge Claude McCulloch hearing testimony in two land condemnation cases which were combined and tried without a jury by stipulation of counsel for both sides. The court took the cases under advisement and will return a verdict at a later date.

The cases involved two 80-acre tracts, the government having offered \$240 for the one formerly owned by Herbert M. Richelbauer and \$270 for the one which belonged to Gerlie Mae Patterson. Richelbauer has asked \$800 for his land. Mrs. Patterson \$700 for hers. Otto J. Frohnmayer represented the two defendants, William L. Dickson the government.

Two verdicts were returned by trial juries Friday afternoon in other land condemnation cases. William Martin was awarded \$3,170 for his 56 acres against the government offer of \$1,500 and the \$3,500 remuneration he sought through Attorney Frohnmayer.

Eleanor Maule, whose 20 acres in the vicinity of the Medford airport were taken by the government, was awarded \$4,700, a figure far above the government deposit of \$1,900. Represented by Attorney Charles Reames, she had asked \$6,000 for her property.

Judge McCulloch and other federal court attaches left here Saturday to return to Portland.

ANNUAL MEET OF USO COUNCIL SET

Plans for the annual meeting of the USO Council were made at a council meeting held Friday evening at the Main Street USO club. The annual meeting will be in January and Dr. C. H. Paske, George Frey and Dr. E. Green were appointed as a general committee to work out plans for the affair.

Diamond Flynn and H. L. Brown were elected to serve on the operating committee of the Main Street club and Sam Colton was appointed publicity chairman for the council. Adj. Charles K. Cox reported that many army wives from Corvallis had been contacting the club in an effort to secure rooms and apartments.

Following the short business session council members were shown the newly completed dark room, arranged at the club. Refreshments were served by hostesses of the club.

RETAIL MEET SET Portland, Ore., Oct. 9.—(U.P.)—Henry A. Dinegar, chief of the durable goods branch of the War Production Board's office of civilian requirements will confer with Portland retail merchants October 14, it was announced today.

AVIATORS KILLED March Field, Cal., Oct. 9.—(U.P.)—Second Lt. Paul H. Curtis, Jr., Hillsboro, Tex., and 2nd Lt. Leeland Z. Wick, Montrose, Cal., were killed today in separate crashes of their army pursuit planes.

Jack Benny's back! Tune in tonight!

Flight o' Time

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

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

October 10, 1928
(It was Monday)

Six criminally insane escape from state hospital at Salem.

Robert R. Hammond passes state bar examination.

Trial of lady horsewhipper of editor of weekly starts.

Germany included in five powers arms talk at L. of N. Nazis seize Jewish property.

Housewives urged to "buy now" by NRA administrator to restore prosperity.

New Deal to launch huge housing project throughout land to provide work.

Fair and balmy. High 80, low 35 degrees.

Work on Pacific highway south of Ashland started.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
October 10, 1923
(It was Wednesday)

Giants defeat Yankees, 5 to 4, in opening world series game, when Casey Stengel hits a homer in the ninth with one man on base.

France rejects German offer of cooperation in the Ruhr.

Fair and balmy. High 80, low 44 degrees.

National labor convention denounces Klu Klux Klan.

Sorghum mill at Eagle Point operates, and the product on sale in local stores.

A. F. of L. convention at Portland favors light wines and beer, and opposes lady barbers.

Apple picking resumed in orchards after delay caused by rains last week.

NO TURKEYS FOR CIVILIANS TILL ARMY GETS QUOTA

Portland, Ore., Oct. 9.—(U.P.)—The freeze on civilian turkey purchases will be continued until the army has bought its quota of 10,000,000 pounds, C. R. Tulley of the War Food administration announced today.

Tulley urged Oregon growers to market all birds as soon as possible to lift the civilian embargo on the Thanksgiving fowl. Army and WFA officials have released no figures on bird purchases, but it was indicated that poor fall weather and present food conditions have delayed marketing of the birds.

SOLDIERS GIFTS DEADLINE NEARS

A reminder was issued yesterday by Frank DeSouza, Medford postmaster, to relatives of servicemen overseas to the effect that only a few days remain before the deadline for mailing Christmas packages. Packages for men overseas with the army must be mailed by Oct. 15 and for navy men by November 1, he said.

The postmaster pointed out again that packages must not weigh more than five pounds, must not exceed 15 inches in length and must not have a combined length and girth of more than 36 inches.

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