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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

The last half of the Pearl Harbor song title, "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition," is now warbled by hunters, both deer and bird, with much gusto and great depth of feeling.

Word now comes the nation is faced with a shortage of "shorts," an item of male attire worn inside the pants. It is high time the country started to run short of shortages.

One year ago, the following Axis propaganda was wafted over the ether: "The English and Americans would do well to make, just for once, at least an attempt at winning one battle." Here is something for Herr Hitler to chew upon, as a change from eating his own words.

Many recall how early in the war, they received the sad word Der Fuehrer was unable to sleep nights, not that anybody cared. Current events no doubt leave him wider awake than ever.

"Bachelor Flat, a thriving community in Columbia county, has all its men in the fighting forces—either married or gone to war, or both."—(Oregon Voter).—A distinction without any difference.

Herb Carlton, the Flounce Rittler & toller towmed Mon. He reported the cheat grass did not bother him much the past season, as most of it was too honest to come up.

SOUNDS QUITE PLAUSIBLE!
(Gallup Poll)
"The election vote will depend not only on attitudes toward the Republican candidate but also on attitudes toward the candidate put up by the Democrats."

Greece, a land that suffered from Italian treachery and aggression, and would have beat the Allied forces, to their ultimate trouncing, but for the German hordes rushing to the rescue, wants no part of Italy as an ally, or co-belligerent. The trend to treat the aboriginal Latin cussedness, as misguided cuteness, and forgive by turning the other cheek, appeals not one whit to the Greeks. They have another idea, as well as a word for it.

Weather regulations have been relaxed. The local weather celebrated with a gaudy rainbow in the west, followed immediately by its own relaxing.

GO AHEAD, BLUSH!
(Clinton Iowa Herald)
"The bride was dressed in a light place in the Wesley temple in Minneapolis, with Dr. George Mecklenberg, pastor, officiating."

A comptroller of the government reports the war department is throwing away "untold millions," and in the doing are "snapping their fingers at Congress." Instead of the traditional twiddling of thumbs. The snapping of fingers allegation causes the suspicion to arise, there may be a crap-game, raging in the vicinity. It is broadly charged the "untold millions" was spent like a drunken sailor, throwing it at the birds, with a steam shovel.

BEFUDDLED JUVENILES!
"He was entertained to see how much interested city children are in the farm stock shown there. A feature was an incubator which, by a relay process, hatched a fresh batch of chicks every day. When the children saw the chicks emerging from the eggs they wanted to know how the chicks got there. They wanted to know also how the hens could construct an egg and place a round smooth shell around it."—(Monmouth Herald).

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The Holes In the Axis Dike

The Nazis' Festung Europa has been imperiled by military and political blunders of the Nazi high command, forcing Germany to ration shrinking military resources to plug holes in a "vast dike" extending from the Arctic ocean to the shores of the Aegean, declares Capt. H. A. De Weerd, associate editor of The Infantry Journal.

"The German doctrine of using air power primarily in close support and under the actual command of ground officers (despite the fact that the Luftwaffe is a separate air force) played into Allied hands in North Africa," Capt. De Weerd wrote in the current issue of Flying.

"As long as the Luftwaffe must support an army spread out from Finland to Greece, it simply cannot achieve the concentration required for operations in one area without exposing some other part of the German army to disaster."

CAPT. De Weerd asserted that the "peculiar vulnerability" of Hitler's "Fortress Europe" to air attack arises "from the very nature of the Nazi system." He pointed out that though the Germans piled one conquest on another from 1939 to 1941, "they never succeeded in reconciling any of the conquered peoples to their so-called 'new order'." Unable to trust their own people with freedom, he continued, the Nazis could not extend freedom to the conquered and were forced to garrison all Europe. The war of attrition against Russia forced a thinning of the garrisons on the perimeter of Europe and there was a parallel dispersion of the German air forces.

"The defense of so-called 'inner lines' by the rapid shifting of forces...has been a favorite subject for German military writers since the days of Frederick the Great," he explained. "Before the event of long-range air power it was possible for a nation with interior lines to carry out the shifting of its forces within the perimeter of its defenses quite unmolested. Germany did so from 1914-1918. The Axis tried the same thing in the Mediterranean theatre before the fall of Tunisia, but the new factor which upset their calculations was the capacity of Allied air power to disrupt their lines of communication and isolate their forces."—W. B.

Post War College Aims

Some readjustments unquestionably will be made at the top of the American educational system to fit it to give the greatest possible service in the postwar world. That is far from implying anything revolutionary.

But in some respects it is going to be a different sort of a world, and in it there will be pressure to have the colleges and universities put tremendous stress on "practical" rather than cultural aims. Heads of many privately endowed institutions in America are girding themselves to resist the pressure.

Dr. Robert Clothier, president of Rutgers University, in a recent article in The Educational Record, is more optimistic than some on that score. He says: "We believe that the basic tenets of our educational faith will be preserved, for the ultimate success of any society, particularly a democratic society, must depend upon the intelligence and character as well as upon the skills and expertness of the individual. In particular that is the purpose of our liberal arts disciplines. We believe the liberal arts will be fully restored to their proper place in our educational philosophy."

YET this cultural education, as contrasted with equally important technical education, ought to be somehow reassayed, in Dr. Clothier's opinion. Profound as is the satisfaction it gives the individual in present and in later life, he makes the point that perhaps people will swing to the viewpoint "that knowledge used for the common good is a higher goal than knowledge 'for its own sake'." Failure to realize it in the past may be the reason, he thinks, "why our technological skills have outstripped our social philosophy."

Conceding that many students are not capable of it, the head of Rutgers cannot be wrong in his feeling that the colleges have not paid enough attention to the encouragement of original thinking. Tutorial and preceptorial plans, theses and comprehensive tests have been applied to this end in some institutions. Dr. Clothier longs for the day when such techniques will be improved and applied to special groups in all institutions of higher learning.

After all, sound and original thinkers must be the hope and reliance of this and every other nation.—R. S.

SABOTAGE PLANS OF JAPS SEEN IN LAND HOLDINGS

Los Angeles, Oct. 19.—(U.P.)—What State Sen. Herbert W. Slater described as "the most completely planned scheme of sabotage the world has ever seen" was described at the opening session of a state senate hearing today with submission of maps showing Japanese land holdings near southern California industrial and military establishments.

The maps, explained by Deputy District Attorney William A. Simpson, showed Los Angeles harbor and virtually every air field, tank farm, refinery and radio station in the area had been dominated by Japanese-leased lands prior to Pearl Harbor.

Japanese controlled lands immediately across the road from gun installations at Ft. MacArthur and held ground over which passed most power lines of the Southern California Edison Co., testimony showed.

Mayor Fletcher Bowron, first witness to appear, earlier defied anyone to find a loyal Japanese and said removal of Japanese from the west coast was the greatest possible contribution to coastal military security.

Augusta, Me. (U.P.)—Eleven-year-old Stanley Davis, an airplane model enthusiast, who can recognize 600 different types of planes, is the youngest observer at the Augusta Observation Post.

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.

PICTURE OF PELLAGRA

Probably there are ten cases of mild pellagra, pellagra perhaps without the typical skin signs, pellagra that goes unrecognized or is called "neurasthenia," "stomach trouble" and the like, for every case of full-fledged pellagra that is recognized and properly treated. Especially in the northern part of the United States and in Canada where the disease does not prevail so much or advance so far untreated as in some areas of the southern states where pellagra is endemic.

Endemic means simply peculiar to a district, and does not imply that the disease is communicable or infectious. Goitre is endemic in certain districts in the north, but of course is not communicable or infectious.

The picture of full-fledged pellagra is composed of characteristic manifestations in skin and mucous membranes, digestive tract and nervous system.

Exposed tract of the skin, especially the backs of the hands, forearms and forehead, and often around the neck like a collar or necklace, show reddening, inflammation like sunburn, more or less pigmentation, cracking, sometimes ulceration—the patient is likely to attribute the skin lesions to unhealed sunburn.

The mouth is usually sore, perhaps cracked at the corners and the tongue is very red, sometimes swollen and sore, with excessive flow of saliva and drooling.

Patient complains of burning sensation in stomach, and there is stomach acidity, perhaps vomiting, often diarrhea.

The patient feels weak, tired, lacks ambition, is accused of being shiftless and no-account. Irritability, anxiety, vague fears or phobias, queer or irrational behavior are among the earlier signs of deterioration in the nervous system. If the condition still goes undiagnosed the patient eventually becomes delirious or manic.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Indispensable in the Baby Business

Have had four babies and raised three of them on the Baby Book, but I'm in a serious predicament now, as my fourth baby is 8 weeks old and I can't locate my Baby Book. (Mrs. S. M.)

Answer—Did you search your handbag carefully? Send ten cents and a three-cent stamped envelope bearing your address for "The Baby Book."

Tonsil Surgery

Daughters 8 and 15 have had tonsils. Is there any safer way than operation to deal with them? Six-year-old child of neighbor went to hospital, laughing and happy, to have her tonsils removed, died on the operating table. (R. H.)

Answer—Yes, there is a safer way to deal with enlarged tonsils—diathermy extirpation.

Terpin Hydrate

Mother, 74, has had sinus trouble for several years, operation ten years ago gave no relief. Since Christmas she has had two attacks of bronchitis, but being allergic to cod liver oil, morphine, heroin and she like there is no medicine she can take. (R. W.)

Answer—There is no reason why any such medicine should be taken by your mother. It never helps matters to suppress coughing temporarily—may indeed cause harm. If your druggist will prepare, say, thirty two-grain capsules of terpin hydrate, she may get relief by taking one such capsule after food three times a day for a week or ten days. (Copyright, 1943, John F. Dille Co.)

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News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

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lowed these extra-legal rights. Indeed, the bill throughout gives "other branches of government" the right to manage and collect votes of all non-military men, beyond army or navy jurisdiction. (The government politicians thus managing their own re-elections.)

The war and navy secretaries are alone to furnish the fighters "information as to candidates." Messrs. Stimson and Knox are particular types of Republicans in this Democratic cabinet who will not be in the Republican cabinet if Republicans win the next election. No provision is made for any opposition political factions of this country to submit their cases to soldiers.

DEVOTED COUPLE UNITED IN DEATH

Salt Lake City, Oct. 19.—(U.P.) Walter Odell, 73, and his 71-year-old wife, Eva, had been close companions for many years.

When Odell died last night, it appeared Mrs. Odell's future life would be one of memories. However, the memories were short-lived.

When Mrs. Odell found her husband dead on a couch in their home, she screamed and fell to the floor. A neighbor was attracted by the scream and called a doctor.

The doctor examined Mrs. Odell. He found she had died of a heart attack—10 minutes after her husband was stricken by the same ailment.

OTHER details of the proposal

reveal an equally elephantine insensitivity to any semblance of political justice generally associated with elections in laws and theories at least.

Now everyone knows 10,000,000 fighters must be allowed to vote; also the merchant marine and government officials in various parts of the world. But a fair presentation of the political alternatives and a just collection of the ballots must be offered.

The governing commission may contain two Republicans and two Democrats, but should be chaired by some non-political legal personality such as the chief justice of the supreme court.

The ballots must be cast under the state election laws in order to be legal. Local election agencies should mail out ballots to the men in the armed services and the votes should be cast by mailing back the marked ballots to the local officials. Opportunities to qualify should be offered by mail by local authorities.

THE names of eligibles could be obtained from draft boards and the war department could furnish addresses, in accordance with recognized absentee ballot procedures in most of the states. In states having no absentee ballot system, special state laws should be passed or regulations adopted to allow soldiers to vote.

Albert Burch Death Mourned By Fruit Growers League of County

IN MEMORIAM

WHEREAS, we, and this community, have suffered a great loss in the death, on October 11th, 1943, of our esteemed friend and fellow citizen, Albert Burch, and

WHEREAS, he was for a long time a member of this organization, and at one time served as its president, and

WHEREAS, he had endeavored himself to us throughout our associations together by his sterling character, true friendship, public spirit and devotion to the attainment of high ideals, and

WHEREAS, it is desired to express in this manner our high regard for him and to pay a tribute to him in memorial,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is with feelings of deep regret that we have viewed the passing of our distinguished fellow citizen and friend, and that we extend to his widow and dear ones our profound sympathy.

Be it further resolved that this resolution be spread upon our minutes, and that copies be transmitted to his family and to the press.

Dated at Medford, Oregon, this 15th day of October, 1943.
FRUIT GROWERS LEAGUE OF JACKSON COUNTY,
By C. C. Clemens, President.

GORDON GIVES UP GAME; MAY TAKE OREGON POSITION

Eugene, Ore., Oct. 19.—(U.P.) Joe Gordon, second baseman for the world series champion Yankees, today announced he would not return to big league baseball next year, which would be his seventh with the Yanks.

Although Gordon would not reveal his plans while visiting his home here, close friends expressed belief he would join the University of Oregon physical education staff. A graduate of Oregon, Gordon would be an instructor in the army physical fitness program.

Asked about spring training next year, Gordon replied: "Well, there won't be any spring training. And if there is, I won't be there. I'm tired of baseball."

Associates of the ballplayer, however, recalled that he often made such pessimistic remarks at the end of the season, yet he always went back to the baseball wars when spring arrived.

His talk of quitting baseball was given slightly more credence this time because of his known preference for living on the west coast. The discomforts in keeping his family on the baseball circuit, and the opportunity to assist the army program in Eugene, his alma mater.

PM STANDS PAT ON BOSTON STORY

New York, Oct. 19.—(U.P.)—The newspaper PM, repeating its charges of an anti-semitic reign of terror in Boston, challenged Gov. Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts today to disprove "any single one" of the accusations.

In a statement addressed to Saltonstall and signed by John P. Lewis, managing editor, the newspaper said the governor admitted to reporters that complaints had been received "on the matter which we exposed."

Saltonstall, incensed by a PM story charging that Jewish residents were being abused, yesterday ejected the author, PM Reporter Arnold Belchman, from his press conference.

The dispatch, published Monday, purported to expose "Christian front hoodlums" against Jewish residents of the Dorchester section of Boston.

IRRIGATION ENDS IN MEDFORD DIST.

The irrigation season for this year was closed yesterday by the Medford irrigation district. Ed N. Judd, manager, reported a good season with the largest hold-over of water in many years in the reservoirs and with prospects for a good supply. Summer rains helped out the

POOR HOUSE TO CLOSE

Mt. Vernon, Ill. (U.P.)—No one in Jefferson county will be able to go "over the hill to the poor house" after December 31 this year. The county farm will be closed. The one inmate now there plans to leave soon for a home elsewhere.

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Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
October 19, 1933
(It Was Thursday)
Early action on valley's plea for irrigation districts loans promised.

German Nazis met with ring of steel of Allies, in attempt to extend frontiers. Nazi air defense plans launched.

Gov. Rolph of California arouses Anti-Saloon league when he orders condemned man be given "all the whiskey he wants" before march to gallows.

Fair, not much change in temperature. High 76, low 36 degrees.

Public speaking class organized in city.

Farm revolt challenges NRA. Nationwide strike set for Saturday to protest price of produce.

First steps taken in recognition of Russia and resumption of trade relations.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
October 19, 1913
(It Was Friday)
Siskiyou train robbers got no loot, postal inspectors say. Suspects held in all sections of the land.

John R. Quinn of California is named national commander of American Legion.

Governor's conference in Indiana ends in near riot over dry law enforcement.

Rain predicted. High 64, low 34 degrees.

Deer hunting season to close tomorrow.

Harry Dubuque of Nebraska purchases R. W. Elden place near Central Point.

VE ISS CANADIANS CAPTIVES DECLAR

Las Vegas, N. M., Oct. 19.—(U.P.)—Two suspicious characters who told police that "ve iss Canadians, undt ve iss going to Los Angeles" turned out to be two of the six German prisoners of war missing from the war department camp near Trinidad, Colo.

The two men, Herman Loesch, and Heinrich Pralder, were arrested in Watrous, N. M.

Authorities say the two prisoners, both of whom had been corporals in the German army, were found in a barn, drinking beer. They first claimed they were Canadians, but when they could show no credentials they were taken for further investigation, and they confessed their identity.

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