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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Revelations anent the aboriginal

cussedness of the Nazis

at Naples, has cured any number

of tenderhearted citizens of their

finickiness, about calling a "Hun"

a "Hun." The same sentimental squeamishness not

so long ago, made it bad taste to

designate the "Jap" as a "Jap."

Both races, through the beastly

criminality of their military leaders

and forces, have lost the right to any

consideration from civilization. The

tendency is to sandpaper their

feelings, instead of salving them.

There is some complaint about the

current local weather from newcomers,

who got out of the Middle West between

cyclones and closely pursued by a blizzard.

Some former habitués of the Willamette valley

have been more surprised and aghast

at rain here, than if the sun shone

at home. Most of the latter ilk, learned to open

an umbrella before they could walk.

A snow-white goose belonging to

E. R. Driver of the Old Stage Rd. was

goose enough to come out from under the

barn over the week-end and stopped a

careless bullet fired by a careful

hunter.

TIMELY TOPIC

(Jefferson (Iowa) Bee)

"The Rev. M. Dwight Walker and family

returned from Ottumwa where they spent the week-end

visiting his parents. Rev. Walker will occupy the

pulpit of the Central Church of Christ next Sunday. He will

speak on the subject 'Let's Go Somewhere Else!'"

There will be rejoicing at the fall

of Dnepropetrovsk, aside from its military aspects.

Citizens can quit trying to pronounce it.

Dnepropetrovsk's twin city of Dneprodzerzhinsk

was also regained by the Russians. They might have been

triplets.

Many of the Older Girls have laid

down their Who-dunit mystery novels to devote all their

sleuthing ability to the solution of the

Bahama murder of Sir Harry Oakes, 200 times a millionaire.

Deceased son-in-law, Count Marigny stands accused.

No local Mrs. Nick Carter as yet has unraveled the tangled

web.

The nation is now running out of tin

for containers of sewing machine oil and Christmas toys

for the kids.

BASEBALL GAME TO YOU!

(Western (Ore.) Leader)

"Umatilla county teachers spent a profitable

afternoon at Pendleton in observing the trajectory of a

spherical object propelled by muscular force with the aid

of a symmetrical wooden instrument commonly known as a

baseball bat."

The secretary of treasury, after one

whole week on a tour of the Mediterranean front, is

coming home to "puncture" the over-optimism of Americans.

He also has a scheme in the back of his head for the high-pressure

sale of war bonds and war stamps to soldiers in North

Africa. That notion is more in need of puncturing than the

"over optimism" of the American people. The soldier abroad

has enough to contend with, without the importation of

bright young men to sell him bonds. Speaking of things that

rest effectively punctured, there is the proposed 10 billion

dollar tax proposal of the secretary of the treasury.

The hand-raised mustache of Judge Bill Coleman has been

torn loose from its moorings and disappeared as completely

as the buffalo and the snows of yesterday.

The Navy and the War

TOMORROW is Navy Day.

Each year, the birthday of Theodore Roosevelt is set aside in recognition of the role of the American Navy in the history of this nation. It is a time to recall the exploits of John Paul Jones, Lawrence, Farragut and Dewey.

But today a new and glorious chapter in American naval history is being written. It is a chapter of high courage, supreme adventure. It is a story which, in the words of Stanley Johnson, has "more action, more thrills than the wildest pulp magazine thriller."

Indeed, this second wartime Navy Day has greater significance than at any time since it was first observed in 1922. Today, the Navy and Marines are carrying the fight to the foe—attacking vigorously and effectively on the seven seas.

TWO major blows were dealt the American Navy since the first Navy Day observance. The first was at the treaty table, the second at Pearl Harbor. Because of both, the early days of this war were dark, indeed. In those first days the Navy had little but supreme courage with which to combat a well prepared and dangerous enemy. With bitter tenacity our sea forces battled against overwhelming odds from Manila down through the Dutch East Indies to the very shores of Australia. They were "expedient" while we marshalled our new naval might.

We have come a long way since Navy Day a year ago.

Then we were fighting the Japanese on Guadalcanal. It was on May 7th of that year, however, when the real turning point in South Pacific naval action took place in the Coral Sea. One month later, close on the heels of the Coral Sea victory, came the crushing defeat of the Nipponese fleet at Midway. The Navy had come into its own. Then began the inexorable surge against the foe that is slowly and surely driving him back—an attack born of a new and mighty naval strength.

Yankee courage, production and ingenuity had turned the tide!

OUR pre-war fleet comprised 1076 vessels. Today the Navy is waging war upon five oceans with the greatest fleet in the history of the world—14,072 fighting ships with a total displacement of five million tons. Today's naval air force boasts thousands of planes, in fact eleven times the strength of Pre-Pearl Harbor days. What a tribute to American production!

In an address before Oregon newspaper publishers last summer, James Forrestal, undersecretary of the Navy revealed that a new engineering achievement enables American warships to consume 35 per cent less fuel through "adaption of high pressure, high temperature steam." That gave our fighting ships insuperable advantage in maneuvering on the broad Pacific. Radar has been another factor in our sea victories. Helicopters, operating from small carriers, are helping to hold the enemy U-boats at bay. These are tributes to American ingenuity!

America is heartened by the exploits of this greater Navy. We have much to celebrate this year—so much more than a year ago. Today the Navy is a "Spearhead of Victory."

AND, as a post-script to these comments, let us remind the citizens of this community of the Navy Day observance tomorrow evening at the Salvation Army-operated West Side U.S.O. Fittingly, the mothers of navy men will be especially honored at this public ceremony.—H.G.

Pass the Senate Resolution

Article 10 killed the League of Nations as far as U. S. participation was concerned.

Had it not been for this article—or if President Wilson had been willing to compromise regarding it—the United States probably would have joined the League and the present war might well have been avoided.

Undoubtedly to avoid a similar tragedy the Senate resolution now being debated in the Upper House, favoring international action to maintain post-war peace, is very brief and general in its terms.

Here it is:

"Resolved, that the war against all our enemies be waged until complete victory is achieved.

"That the United States cooperate with its comrades-in-arms in securing a just and honorable peace.

"That the United States, acting through its constitutional processes, join with free and sovereign nations in the establishment and maintenance of international authority, with power to prevent aggression and to preserve the peace of the world."

A hot verbal fire is being directed against the proposal, not as yet by the isolationists, or the Republican "die-hards," but by radical anti-isolationists like Senator Ball of Minnesota, and radical Anglophiles like Senator Pepper of Florida, one of the administration's most vehement supporters. All the left-wingers are apparently against the proposal also, wishing a more explicit and binding agreement.

THE Mail Tribune "fit and bled" for the first League of Nations and will do whatever it can to secure congressional support for a similar covenant following this war.

But we agree entirely with those who want only a brief and indefinite commitment AT THIS TIME, the details to be worked out later.

Such action would remove the fear of our allies that this country is at heart isolationist and after the war would shy at any "foreign entanglements" as it did two decades ago, and at the same time such a measure can be passed now, and the real danger of imposing terms and regulations which might not fit the post war conditions at all, can be avoided.

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, 205 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

ARE YOU GETTING YOUR OXYGEN?

I frown upon and deplore the way youngsters these days do NOT absorb enough oxygen.



Dr. Brady

Exercise increases the absorption and utilization of oxygen. Yelling and screaming in the bleachers is not exercise. Far too many youngsters today are mere spectators or fans or members of the cheering section and far too few players in the game. It seems to me that kids today have forgotten most of the games which involve a great deal of running and similar activities.

The young ones ride to school nowadays. Before the internal combustion engine the young ones absorbed a good deal of oxygen walking to and from school—a mile or two of it two or three times a day.

For the student or the white collar worker or the office or business man or woman professional baseball as a sport is a wretched kind of amusement, diversion or pastime. So is football. There isn't room here to elucidate the physiological and pathological reasons why these sources of vicarious thrills, hysterical emotion, make-believe heroics are harmful to sedentary folk. If you wish to learn more about it, look up in the public library Cannon's *Bodily Changes in Pain, Hunger, Fear and Rage* (Appleton, '15), especially the last chapter on *Alternative Satisfaction for the Fighting Emotions*.

For these poorly educated, poorly trained young people a few drags on a cigarette give an alternative satisfaction or rather temporary inhibition or restraint of the natural impulse to DO SOMETHING—fight, run away,

work, play, exercise—to use the energy liberated by the emotion, whatever it may be. When this alternative is adopted as a habit, the body machinery inevitably suffers. The individual, no matter how limited in intelligence, cannot help realizing sooner or later that he or she is inferior—and consciousness of that fact very often leads the poor to seek forgetfulness in alcohol.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Lead Arsenite Spray Residue

Please repeat the instructions for removing lead of arsenic spray residues from fruit or vegetables.

(A. F. K.)

Answer—First wash in the ordinary

way. Then brush with 1% solution of

hydrochloric acid in water. Then

rinse thoroughly with clear water

to remove all of the acid. This is es-

pecially important for removing any

traces of lead or arsenic from green

or leafy salad vegetables or relishes.

Drugs have a standard Diluted

Hydrochloric Acid U. S. P., which is

about 10% solution. One part of this

with nine parts of water makes ap-

proximately 1% solution.

Mongolian

At what age is Mongolian idiocy

evident? What hope is there for such

a child? What causes it? (A. G. C.)

Answer—It may become evident in

the first few months, from the small

size of the head, the peculiar slant

eyes, the protruding tongue, etc. Mon-

golian idiocy does not develop mentally

beyond the intelligence grade of a

normal two-year-old child. Cause un-

known. It may happen in any fam-

ily. While rare in Chinese and Jap-

anese, some cases have been reported

in these races, also in American

Indians and Negroes.

Turpentine

Would taking one teaspoonful of

turpentine each week cause one to

lose weight? Would it injure health?

A friend says she lost a lot of weight

that way, but she doesn't look very

well. (F. B.)

Answer—It would very likely seri-

ously damage the kidneys. Any loss

of weight would be merely a result

of impaired health. Send twenty-five

cents and stamped envelope bearing

your address for booklet "Rules for

Reducing." It tells how to lose excess

weight and at the same time im-

prove health.

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News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

(Continued from Page One)

may shortly have his hand forced by political exigencies.

If Mr. Brown saw these things coming, he chose the right time to leave, while his OPA has established at least a semblance of orderly price restraints.

The whole price-wage question now has been thrown into a battle of statistics. Mr. Brown says prices have gone up only 12 per cent, weekly wages 33 per cent, corporate profits 15 per cent since Pearl Harbor—implying labor has received more than its share already.

THE United States Chamber of Commerce has figures showing wages are up 2 1/2 times (almost tripled) since 1939.

But the labor leaders say that 15 per cent increase allowance of the little steel formula is not enough to pay the increased cost of living since January 1943 and they must have more money.

Thus, figures do lie. Statistics are like rubber-bands which can be stretched to nearly any desired reasonable length. You can make them say practically anything you want by two methods commonly practiced now in and out of the government.

The first is to choose a past period for comparison which will justify your political attitude. Next, you can stretch your figures perhaps 50 per cent or more either way by a choice selection of items to be considered. (These are never made public.)

For instance, you can still count furniture, new automobiles, washing machines and refrigerators in the cost of living, although no one can get any.

You can prove wages have not increased much by including white collar workers outside the unions, or you can prove they have quadrupled by counting only the unions where tremendous increases have been granted (construction workers, shipyard, etc.).

Or you can becloud the increases that actually have been

granted by deducting forced savings and increased taxes, and count only "take home pay," a new phrase devised by the unions.

IT just seems impossible to found a national economy on statistics. Even if anyone here wanted pure, unadulterated statistics (and no one does, because all are seeking only to prove viewpoints already adopted), the collections of national figures would level off to an average which in itself is unjust because so few people experience the national average.

The great bulk of the people either will be under it (like teachers) or over it (like domestic servants).

Now Mr. Roosevelt is using this situation obviously to bring congress around to his subsidy payment viewpoint, the idea of making the treasury pay a part of the higher prices so the consumer will not think he is paying it, although, of course, he pays it all through taxation or bonds.

Congress is in no mood to accept this whole, but a compromise eventually might be effected which would create the appearance of holding the present line temporarily at least.

Mr. Brown's timing seems perfect.

REP. LUCE WANTS DEFINITE POLICY

New York, Oct. 26.—(U.P.)—Rep. Claire Boothe Luce, R., Conn., demanded today that the American people force President Roosevelt to reveal what foreign policy the United States has and what action he has taken to insure peace during the next half century.

Writing in the current issue of Liberty magazine under the title "Americans in Quest of a Foreign Policy," the congresswoman said if Mr. Roosevelt doesn't confide in the nation "our endless debates with one another on a foreign policy for America will be futile—and a source of endless disunity."

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify, 8:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember.

Oregonian Takes Issue With Medford Pastors

The Oregonian does not consider it an impolicy to disagree with the Medford Ministerial association's recent resolution condemning University of Oregon authorities for permitting use of the campus for a Sunday football game. And so we cheerfully disagree. The game was played between the university's army trainees and the 104th cavalry team from Marshfield. The military duties of the contestants allow them little time for sports or athletic contests on week days, and the rigor of their routine requires them to be up and at it before dawn, while the rest of us are turning over for another snooze. We see no harm in their playing football on Sunday, and none the more so because they happened to play a game on the campus of a public university.

SUCH applied narrowness of doctrine, we dare say, has done more to prevent the churches that invoke it from taking the place they covet, in community leadership, than any other factor. Doctrine is not always religion. As an illustration of the absurd and anti-national lengths to which a severe puritanism may be carried, there lately was the Ontario instance of wholesale arrests in York township for working on farms and in gardens on Sunday. The most vital of Christian principles are at stake in the war which Canada, as one of the allies, wages against the anti-Christ, and food is essential to victory—but the Ontarians invoked a dominion Lord's day act of 1845 to place creed before Christian victory. The difference between forbidding the production of food and the playing of football is only one of degree.

WE DOUBT it is even one of degree, for tremendous importance attaches to the physical fitness of the young men who are obligated to fight for the Medford Ministerial association, the University of Oregon, and all the rest of us that comprise America. Football makes for fitness—nothing more so. The boys who played that Sunday game on the campus, on Hayward field, will be tougher competition for the enemy than the usual soldier. And, since they will be fighting for the Lord as well as for America, we are inclined strongly to disagree with the dictum that the Lord was displeased because they trained for His service on Sunday. Of course, nobody knows. These young men, the way we look at it, are the sword of the Lord and of Gideon. That is the way the army looks at it, too. Not long ago a big league ballplayer, in the uniform of his country, was decorated for his work in baseball organization and training in North Africa among the troops.

IN THE piping times of peace the Medford Ministerial association would have a protest of sorts coming if the university campus were used for the playing of a Sunday football game. But these definitely are not the piping times of peace. Nor do we think that the instance will provide a precedent for peacetime. Everybody must realize that the exception arose from the dictates of most unusual circumstances.

What everybody does not know, but which we can guess well enough, is the thought, the very grave thought, which the authorities must have taken in the matter before they gave their approval to the Sunday game on the campus. They did what they thought was right, and considered to be best.

Perhaps the Medford Ministerial association did this also—but alas, the members appear to be in the plight of not being able to see the forest for the trees, the

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 26, 1933

(It Was Friday)

Col. Lindbergh and wife visit

Paris in surprise flight across

Atlantic.

Henry Ford near showdown

on refusal to sign NRA code.

Administrator Johnson charged

with "assuming the role of a

dictator."

Fruitmen reach agreement on

market control.

County budget drafters rapped

in resolution passed by Grange

No. 666.

Rain. High 77, low 37 de-

grees.

Carl Y. Tengwald to give talk

on radio on Navy day.