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Ye Smudge Pot

The Jap hoodlums interned at Tule Lake have adopted a policy of silence. If they listen hard they might hear one of their sniper courtymen dropping out of a cocoon tree in the Solomons.

Wendell Willkie was just wonderful all last week. He said nothing to make republicans want to kiss him one day or kill him the next.

All the Oregon congressional delegation but one is on the blacklist of union labor. He is the one who will be fresh out of votes when they are counted next May.

"As the result of omitting the letter 'c' a Walla Walla paper said of a returned traveller, 'His friends were surprised to find him unchanged.'" (Pendleton East Oregonian).—Except for the honor of the thing, he is glad it didn't happen.

The G. Cleveland Corum twins passed their third birthday. They attribute their achievement to regular breathing and feel as young as they ever did.

Conditions in Germany are rapidly approaching the time when Herr Hitler will again hold conferences with Signor Mussolini—in a fancy lunatic asylum.

NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY HENRY (Oakland (Cal.) Tribune) "In centering his attack upon the railroads, Mr. Wallace has bit the President in his most conservative spot."

Shells are so scarce, shot guns when used to culminate a romance, are all unloaded.

The nut harvest is now at its peak. Small boys come home with a bushel of walnuts crammed in a pants pocket. It's the same sized pocket in which their Paws can't completely conceal a pint.

The Jugoslavs are still putting up ferocious resistance against both the Nazis and each other, on the Balkan front.

Stockmen are now warned by the government not to ship their cows and hogs to market so fast, or the packers will be swamped, resulting in the consumer being able to get a steak without performing a miracle and feeling guilty.

THIRD TIME THE BEST! (Boston Herald)

"Mrs. French, whose vocal and artistic merits have been dwelt on considerably in the past, was in good voice despite the fact that there was practically no air to breathe. As always, she sang with exceptional good taste and considerable emotional conviction."

Bankers report a scarcity of pennies throughout the land and are unable to explain it. There is also an insufficiency of dollars in many pockets.

In the Portland area to date, 500 ships have been launched. There has been nothing like this since the good old days when tourists were plentiful and every alfalfa patch along the highway boasted two service stations.

Quite a number of store windows were liberally smeared with paraffin by Halloween sprites, some of them about the right age for military service. Paraffin is an essential war product used in muntion making and allegedly in the throes of a shortage.

The first "Shut that door! Were you born in a barn weather?" prevailed this a. m.

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Churchill Chickens Return

Too bad! When Prime Minister Churchill made that "hands across the sea" speech at Cambridge, Massachusetts, early in September we feared it was a diplomatic blunder—the first time our Homeric hero had nodd-ed.

And now two months later comes the pay-off. None other than Alf. M. Landon, the 1936 Republican presidential candidate, in a reply to Walter Lippman's criticism of himself asks:

"Who is going to be the King's first minister, Roosevelt or Churchill?"

WHO indeed! There is the partisan-isolationist reaction, the only surprising thing is it took such a long time for it to jell.

And as remarked, at the time, if the suggestion for such an alliance between the two great English speaking countries had come from this side of the ocean, there would have been no particular danger.

For Britain would never complain, nor shun any such advances. Quite the contrary. Britain HAS to have the United States. The United States does not HAVE to have Britain—although such an alliance would, in the opinion of this department, help BOTH countries.

But with the initiative coming from the other side, even from such a very popular Britisher as Mr. Churchill, a certain revival of the "ancient grudge" was inevitable, the old Yankee suspicions and fears, some may have thought dead but have only been sleeping, were bound to be aroused again.

And that is, we repeat, too bad. The former Kansas governor ends up with this final filing:

"I do not want to see the world lined up on the basis of power-politics and alliances leading to the inevitable. That has been the mistake in the past. If the President will disavow Mr. Churchill's suggestion for an exclusive British-American alliance, this whole case is ready for dismissal."

Of course President Roosevelt can do no such thing, and would not if he could.

Mr. Lippman may come back and accuse Alf of pettifoggery, putting words and meanings into the Prime Minister's mouth which were never uttered and never intended.

But there is the rub!

"Oh that mine enemy might write a book!" For the text of that Harvard University speech is on file, and while Mr. Churchill at no time spoke explicitly of any "exclusive" alliance between the two countries, that interpretation can be placed upon certain passages, and the more the anti-isolationists try to explain otherwise the worse the situation for them will become.

SO it would have been better IF Prime Minister Churchill had allowed Governor Dewey, the New York Herald-Tribune, or some other strong pro-British spokesmen in this country to carry this Anglo-American alliance ball in the great global diplomatic game, instead of tackling the job himself.

"Not A Party Question?"

Well, just what did Winston Churchill say, and what did he mean?

The speech was a felicitous one, delivered in a warm, friendly and highly congenial academic atmosphere—a graduate of Oxford, responding to the award of an honorary degree from Harvard University.

That fact should be kept in mind. The British Prime Minister undoubtedly spoke more informally and frankly than would have been the case before the congress in Washington, for example. And the political significance of what was said therefore, should be discounted by those who care for the truth and not for some interpretation that would give partisan or personal advantage.

According to Mr. Landon the whole spirit of Mr. Churchill's studied statement, however, contemplated the most exclusive kind of an alliance, not only a common citizenship but a common sovereignty.

Well, here probably are the remarks the ex-GOP leader had in mind:

"Now in my opinion it would be a most foolish and imprudent act on the part of our two Governments, or either of them, to break up this smooth running and immensely powerful machinery the moment the war is over. . . . For our own safety as for the security of the rest of the world we are bound to keep it working and in running order after the war, probably for a good many years, not only until we have set up some world arrangement to keep the peace but until we know that it is an arrangement that will really give us that protection we must have from danger and aggression—a protection we have already had to seek across two vast world wars. . . . I am not qualified of course to judge whether or not this would become a party question in the United States, and I would not presume to discuss that point. I am sure, however, that it will not be a party question in Great Britain. . . . We must not let go of the security we have found necessary to preserve our lives and liberties, until we are quite sure we have something else to put in its place which will give us an equally solid guarantee."

In other words, Mr. Churchill favored a continuation of the military alliance that now exists, after the fighting has stopped, and not only until such time as some more permanent and inclusive peace league is formed, but until the value of that organization as a protection against war has been established.

There is no suggestion, no intimation whatever, of a common citizenship or a common sovereignty. Undoubtedly Mr. Churchill had nothing of the sort in mind. But that is Mr. Landon's interpretation and that, we fear, will be the interpretation of the rabid anti-Roosevelt and anti-British fanatics throughout the country. The unfortunate thing is, the British Prime Minister did not foresee such an outcome before the statement was made.

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.

PARKINSON'S DISEASE

It is not illogical to believe that there is a calcium deficiency in Parkinson's disease. On this basis I believe the patient with Parkinson's disease should regularly supplement his diet with calcium and vitamin D daily. How to do this is described in pamphlet "The Calcium Shortage," mailed on request if you inclose twenty cents, or ten cents and a three-cent-stamped envelope bearing your address. Experience has shown that Parkinsonian patients should remain as active as possible, although the tendency is to remain idly seated or lying abed much of the time, and that permits the rigidity to become so extreme that, if they try to walk at all they walk like living statues. They should do regular light calisthenic exercises, nothing strenuous at all, just mild movements calculated to promote or maintain freedom, resilience, grace of movement.

Discussing the subject in N. Y. State Jour. of Med. in the midsummer of 1943, Drs. Morton H. Hand and A. M. Rabiner likened Parkinsonian rigidity to frozen water. Water freezes on a cold day, but is less likely to freeze if it is moving. Let Parkinsonian patients beware of the temptation to sit and think or to sit and vegetate or to lie abed more than the necessary sleeping time. That way the rigidity is likely to become so marked as to be actually painful and disable the victim. Do not give up your regular work or occupation because of Parkinsonian tremor, so long as you can possibly hang onto your job. Don't be pushed into a corner before your time. After all, what's a little tremor and maybe a slight impediment in walking, between friends?

Step out for a short walk frequently every day, rain, shine, snow or blow. Practice a few dance steps many times a day. Skip the rope. Take up your knitting, crocheting or needlepoint to occupy your hands when you do sit for any length of time. Play the piano, harp, organ, violin every day. Set up a loom and weave things for

never ask them to work without a contract because he had so often warned them such a practice would involve them in trespassing upon company property. Here you have again the growing anomaly of the union leading one way, the workers striking another—and all in the midst of a war for survival of their way of life.

THE railroad situation is no less involved, if momentarily less in the headlines. Brotherhood Leaders Harrison, Robinson and Whitney have forcefully told the administration the 4 cents an hour wage increase and back pay to April 1 granted by Stabilizer Vinson after WLB had recommended 8 cents, could not possibly be accepted.

They implied they would lose their jobs as heads of the unions if they tried to accept it. If they are correct, the current union vote will go against the government settlement.

In the end, the government may be forced to give in for 5 or 6 cents—in accordance with the apparent policy of negotiating for the best possible settlement in each case. In this case, Vinson, rather than WLB, is being blamed for the critical, unsettled mess.

BUT the steel workers, auto workers and others already have notified the government that if Lewis and the brotherhoods break the Little Steel formula (as they already have done

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in effect), the government will be presented with similar demands from them for increases. Worst of all, no one in the administration or outside seems to have an answer to the problem. My guess is there is no answer, matters having gone this far.

The condition must be accepted as an eye-opening example of the deficiencies of managed economy, the inefficiency of bureaucracy, and the difficulties presented by a revolutionary union movement against a sympathetic government during a desperate world war to protect the bargaining freedom of labor and the individual.

If it does not make sense, it at least makes America the haven of confused economic and political currents it is today.

Olive Barber's Observations

Again I quote from Private Buck, our neighbor lad who is now an army cook in the South Pacific. He's lately discovered avacados. "I eat them in everything I fix for myself," he states, "and never seem to get enough. There are lots of them growing here and are supposed to be fattening. I could stand a little of that."

"I haven't had the pleasure of eating a tomato in 16 months. You know tomatoes are my favorite food. The next time I see a field of tomatoes, I'm going to sit in the middle of it and eat tomatoes for three days."

"I never discovered tomatoes until past 20 years old. Because my father didn't eat them, I took it for granted they were no good. But once I found how good they really were, I hoped I'd live to be a hundred so I could hake up for those 20 lost years."

"The other cook just came in and said there was a letter for me. I asked, 'Who from?' 'From Olive,' he replied. So you see you're not Mrs. Barber, or even Olive Barber; just Olive. Either you or Frank could walk into our kitchen and wouldn't need an introduction, I've talked so much about you."

"We all read each other's letters. Harry just got a letter from his sister in England. She says one pound of grapes costs the equivalent of five dollars. A small melon is 45 shillings, or almost twelve dollars."

"Our old lady cat has had three batches of kittens this summer. (This is the cat who had her kittens in a shell hole one time and in a gun pit the next. The same cat who carried her litter into the pantry just as the officer came around on an inspection tour. She so won over the officer with her feminine blandishments that she was allowed to stay 'if she is a clean cat'. The cooks swore she was.) I think she has an A card, or whatever kind it takes to get the most over there in the States."

"There is a bread fruit tree growing right close to my shack. Last night a very large bread-fruit dropped on the roof directly over my bed. For a minute, I thought we were being bombed."

He then gave a most interesting account of a visit he made to a native home, which I'll include in a later column.

Checkers is one of the oldest games on earth, and has been played by more humans than all other games put together.

NEW CROP RECORD IN 1944 DEPENDS ON SUBSIDY HELP

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ciple was being used in industry and mines to increase production.

"The subsidies that were used to meet special farming costs without raising prices to consumers) cannot properly be called producers subsidies or consumer subsidies," he said. "They are war subsidies. The costs which they cover are war costs."

"On the farm as in industry the war has pushed costs above the levels that prevailed before the outbreak of war, and above the levels that will prevail when victory has been won. These are costs of war, and it is entirely appropriate that they should be met out of the public treasury, just as are the costs of producing tanks and planes and ships and guns."

To Hold Line He reiterated, citing many statistics to support his reasoning, his determination to hold-the-line against inflation. The nation cannot afford to acquire the "habit" of inflation he said, because "we have children to think of." Those who advocate inflation must be prepared to accept the responsibility for results, he added.

"This is no time to start wandering into an untried field of uncontrolled and uncontrollable prices and wages," he said.

The President reviewed the food production program of 1943 and asserted that despite risks in some quarters of "meat famine" and "food shortage" the American people as a whole are eating more now than they did before Pearl Harbor.

"A shortage in sirloin steak and in choice fruits," he said, "does not mean that the war program has failed."

Ninety three per cent of American housewives agree that a good job (of food distribution and rationing)—a job fair to all—has been done. Unfortunately the seven per cent who are not satisfied are more vocal. . . .

Farmers Lauded Mr. Roosevelt said the patriotism, resourcefulness and ability of the American farmer had in 1943 to overcome manpower, machinery and fertilizer shortages to produce an incredible amount of food. He promised that the amount of steel for farm machinery was being doubled and that it would be unlimited for production of repair parts.

He scotched "talk about impending 'meat famine'" with a report that from October until next March total meat production, excluding poultry, would amount to 14,400,000,000 pounds dressed weight, compared with 12,500,000,000 pounds during the same period last year.

He conceded that the armed forces and lend-lease would take more of the food supply next year—14 per cent of production for the armed forces compared with 7 1/2 last year, about 25 per cent of total production.

Then he added that there would be more soldiers in both the American army and navy and the Allied services and pointed out that servicemen eat more than civilians.

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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

November 1, 1933 (It Was Wednesday) Governor Meier draws plans for relief, jobs, and rum control.

Rain falls in Crater Lake National park, and melts recent snow.

Drunkness increases in city as liquor supply loosens.

Unsettled and cloudy. High 85, low 47 degrees.

Hugh S. Johnson, NRA, invited to visit this city on tour of coast.

Medford high football squad leaves to play Eugene tomorrow night there.

Cold, dry winter forecasted for Oregon.

Value of corporation property in county shows decrease.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

November 1, 1923 (It Was Thursday) Stephen Meather, director of national parks on tour, is guest of Craters club at luncheon.

Andrew Jeldness, mining man of the Blue Ledge, certain he saw one of the Siskiyou tunnel bandit suspects here the first of the week. (Ed note: One of the DeAutremont twins, after arrest, admitted he had been.)

Light rains. Precip. .08 of an inch. High 92, low 35 degrees.

Ex-Crown Prince Wilhelm, in exile since the war, plans to return to Germany.

Haskins drug store advertises two live gold fish free with every purchase of new dental cream.

October rainfall heaviest in past nine years with a total of 2.12 inches.

SEE EISENHOWER

CHIEF OF STAFF

Washington, Nov. 1—(U.P.)—The Army and Navy Journal said today that army circles expect Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to return to this country, when the Italian campaign nears its close, to take over direction of the Office of the Army Chief of Staff.

It expected this to coincide with the time when Gen. George C. Marshall "leaves to establish his headquarters in London."

The usually informed but unofficial service weekly did not say specifically that Eisenhower would replace Marshall as chief of staff, saying only that "army circles are confident" that Eisenhower will be selected by "the commander-in-chief to direct the Office of Chief of Staff of the Army."

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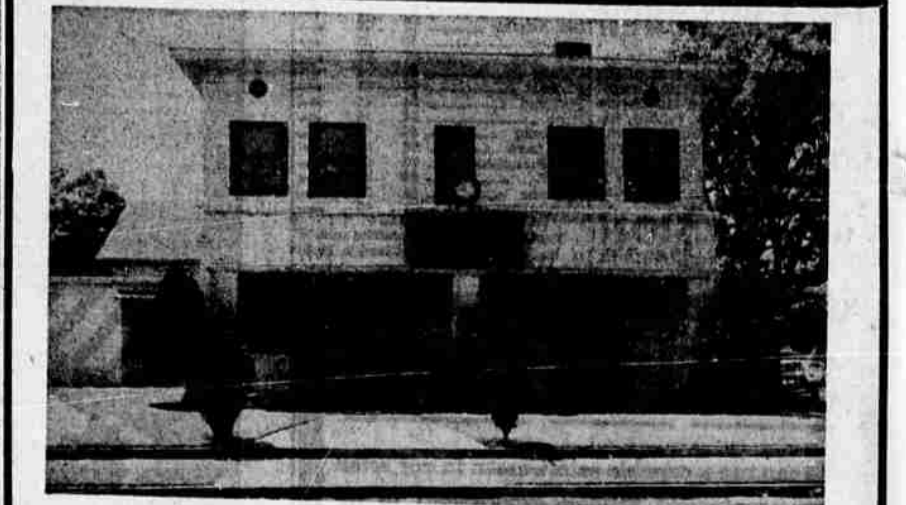
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