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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

In eastern Oregon farmers use little pigs as coyote trap bait. As yet no town resident, strolling in the rural moonlight, has caught himself for a coyote.

A number of democrats have announced their disgust with the New Deal and the Fourth term notion. They are willing to vote for most any republican but the one nominated for the presidency.

Bulgaria and Rumania, two Balkan nations, who bumpily declared war on America, under orders of the Nazis, have been advised by the secretary of state, there will be a day of reckoning and prepare for a dusting of the seat of their national pants, instead of the pat on the back, accompanied by a shipload of American beans as expected.

HORRIBLE POSSIBILITY!
(Oakland (Cal.) Tribune)

"A statistician says 17 per cent of Americans are flat-footed. We hope he doesn't ascertain and announce the sad figures on how many are flat-headed."

Hill residents in town the past week have been speaking profanely of the chilly on the floor of the valley and comparing it unfavorably with the balmy weather on tap in their native haunts. They leave home in their shirt-sleeves and just happened to find the bear-skin coat they are wearing in the back-seat of the car.

The 14-year old bride of a 14-year old Denver boy is now weary of the bargain and wants to go back to school and forget it all. The disgust started, it is suspected, when the groom, an ex-marine, showed up in his civilian clothes, instead of the natty uniform. The bride, philosophically hopes, if she ever has a daughter, she will have more sense than her mother and never gets married until she knows enough not to.

The manager of the State Post-War Development commission announces pie can be made from Ponderosa pine. From all reports, in the post-war period, the masses are going to need something that sticks to the ribs with more tenacity than Ponderosa pine pie. A way should be found to make pancake batter out of Douglas fir tree cones.

The senate committee investigating the alleged whisky famine in the land, finds it is due to a plot to raise prices, and, incidentally get rid of inferior liquors the public is not thirsty enough to swig. "Hundreds of persons—many who never drink a drop—have bought up whisky as an investment," Sen. Van Nuys asserts. It's wrong to drink firewater but smart to sell it at a profit.

FOXY DAMSELS OF 1931!

"The old postoffice was the scene of festivity and merriment, Friday evening. A novel event styled a 'wash-tub social' was there given under the auspices of the Epworth league of the M. E. church, and was largely attended. For the moderate fee of 25 cents each of the gentlemen present was privileged to draw a clothes-pin from a basket of these articles trimmed in all sorts of styles. It then became his pleasant duty to hunt for a lady wearing a clothes-pin of similar design and take her to supper. Occasionally an artful damsel who desired the company of some particular partner presented herself with the right clothes-pin, but this exercise of preference was perhaps natural and excusable."—(30 Yr. Ago Col. Pendleton East Oregonian.)

See Mail Tribune Want Ads.

Buy Christmas Seals!

IT should hardly be necessary to remind people here of the annual sale of Christmas Seals and urge them to buy generously these health-giving messages of Yuletide cheer. This community is thoroughly acquainted with the good work these little Seals perform and accustomed to buying them in liberal numbers.

There are wartime conditions, however, that lend added significance to the sale this year. It is well to point out the problems that now confront us for knowledge of them is certain to stimulate Seal buying.

OVER-CROWDED housing conditions and lowering of peacetime sanitation standards are especially conducive to the spread of tuberculosis. People are working longer hours and expending surplus energies, human resistance is reduced by worry, work and excitement. Moreover, men rejected from the armed forces because of tuberculosis must be given treatment and put to work. The public, too, must be educated in the preparation of properly balanced meals under ration restrictions. Civilian doctors and trained nurses are scarce and people must be educated for temporary self-help. The critical labor shortage has curtailed the service of Oregon's own tuberculosis hospital—and that means that many persons, suffering from this disease, are being returned to their own counties before their convalescence is as complete as usual.

OREGON is one of thirteen states in which slight increases in tuberculosis cases have occurred in recent months. The usual bright picture here in Jackson County is not rosy now, either. During the past three years only 37 cases were reported here, due in a large measure, to the energetic work of the Jackson County Public Health Association. Already 26 cases have been reported here this year; undoubtedly there are other active cases not yet discovered.

It all adds up to one thing. All possible encouragement must be given at once to the Jackson County Public Health Association's campaign against tuberculosis. This organization seeks to prevent this disease by providing a means of early discovery through X-Ray services, by supplying wholesome milk where it is needed, by spreading public information in regard to tuberculosis, and by rehabilitating recovered patients.

And YOUR PENNIES spent for Christmas Seals will do that job!

Ninety-five per cent of the money raised in this Seal sale REMAINS HERE to further the work of the public health group in Jackson County.

WE have found from experience that PUBLIC HEALTH CAN BE BOUGHT. Since 1907, when the little seals with the familiar Lorraine Cross lead the crusade against "consumption," the death rate has steadily dropped. The public now knows that this disease is communicable, is preventable, and can be cured if discovered in the early stages. Before this war we gained by leaps and bounds in our struggle against the deadly tubercle bacillus. Today the job is much more difficult—and will take added effort and more money.

And so, right now it is doubly important that we buy Christmas Seals. Let us all give holiday cheer—and HEALTH—this year to our own neighbors by placing at least one Seal on every letter and package we send this holiday season.—H.G.

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

(Continued from Page One)

propaganda just now. At Cairo, Smuts now has attempted to clear his comments from the diplomatic dangers.

The great bulk of American public opinion seems reserved concerning the outcome of the meetings, awaiting the future day when someone like Smuts may feel free to talk frankly about them.

A few of the liberal publications, which rise in ecstasy automatically any time the name of Russia is mentioned favorably, are advertising the results as "reshaping the world, saving a million deaths on the battlefield, and a decade of waste and confusion in the peace." (The New Republic.) Few here believe this, or believe it is good propaganda to make believe such is the result.

All may wish it so, but have trouble erasing Smuts' original questions. France does seem to be gone. Her politicians in exile exhibit chaotic strife. The sympathies of her governments before the war frequently were as close to Russia as to Britain, and so are those of her exiles.

ONLY in those smaller democracies Smuts referred to, is there an absence of the Russian socialist-collectivist influence in the body politic. Elsewhere this competitive influence is bound to be strongly represented if it does not prevail in whatever free-choice post-war governments are founded.

For France, this would mean continuance of the chaotic political conditions leading to its downfall.

True also, British power has

declined. Her post-war armed strength, for instance, would be nowhere comparable to that of Russia, if measured on the continent.

SMUTS might even have gone further in his frankness and questioned the ability of the British empire to restore itself in a freer trading post-war world, without monopolies, cartels, etc.

If these problems were solved at Tehran, indeed if there is any chance of them being solved anytime, anywhere, no one has yet pointed the way.

No authority here that I know has any idea how satisfactory democratic governments can be instituted in Italy, France and elsewhere, without extreme competition between the Russian socialist-collectivist movement and the British empire interests, or our own.

Johnston, who will speak tonight in Salt Lake City, said the boom conditions would follow a period of hesitation during the re-conversion of industry to peacetime production and would last from two to eight years.

FLU GAINS IN SOUTH
Los Angeles, Dec. 13.—(U.P.)—Influenza cases in Los Angeles during the past two weeks were two to three times greater than during the same period last year. Dr. Hugh Dierker of the county health department reported today.

Your Health and Its Care

BY DR. WILLIAM BRADY, M.D.

Readers should address inquiries to: Dr. William Brady, 285 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

GHOST OF FAMILY DOCTOR PASSING BY

Your fine article on "The Forgotten People" awakens ideas. My mind reverts to my old home state, Maine, and to the old country doctor, who was not merely the local physician but a vital part of the community. When the misfortune of sickness came the old doctor was present not merely as a mercenary hireling but as a friend in need. His attendance was not merely calls but actual visits in which the private affairs of the family were confidentially discussed and good advice given, for he had not served them from infancy and always maintained the confidence and secrecy which tied them in deep affection.

Lacking modern scholastic learning he may have been less skilled in the advanced science of the profession of today, but he was nevertheless a skilled practitioner and confidence in his ability contributed materially to the patient's recovery.

(There, Mr. G., you utter a volume in a sentence. The family physician in the horse-and-buggy days had to acquire diagnostic skill and resourcefulness in treatment, because he just couldn't hide behind all the gadgets the modern doctor uses to divert the patient's mind from the diagnosis. Nor could the old-time practitioner rush the patient to the hospital when the going became difficult. He had to stay right there and shoulder full responsibility.)

The modern physician is not so much a missionary as artisan called through urgency as might be the plumber, with a fixed rate of compensation arranged

by some medical union or organization. His training has cost him years of intense study, and as his profession is chosen as a means of livelihood the financial side stands out in strong relief.

The erstwhile country doctor has disappeared with his horse and gig and medical kit, except perhaps in a few isolated communities. He is the forgotten man of today, but I think when the Creator sums up... the old-time family doctor—rest his ashes! (C.M.G.)

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
No Poison in Medicine Cupboard
Please suggest what precautions to take in keeping carbolic acid in the medicine cupboard, and what is the antidote. (Mrs. H. W. T.)

Answer—There is no good reason or excuse for keeping carbolic acid or any other poison in the house. Epacetic acid is a good antidote. What to keep in the medicine cupboard and first aid cabinet and how to use the remedies is described in booklet "The Medicine Cupboard" for copy of which send twenty-five cents and stamped envelope bearing your address.

Riboflavin and Tired Eyes
My eyes are constantly tired, red, feel as though I had sand in them. I read a good deal, especially when I read for a little while. Examination by physicians showed my vision O. K. (G. J.)

Answer—Such symptoms are not rarely due to riboflavin (vitamin G) deficiency. Drink at least a quart of milk daily to get more riboflavin. Perhaps your doctor can prescribe some pure riboflavin for you. Everyone needs not less than 4000 micrograms of it daily just to maintain good health. If you take any to supplement your diet you should have at least 8000 micrograms daily.

All four members of our family have the itch, and there are scores of cases in our village. No remedies seem to help. (P. McL.)

Answer—Follow instructions in chapter on "Itch" in booklet "Save Your Skin"—send twenty-five cents and stamped addressed envelope for copy. (Copyright, 1943, John F. Dille Co.)

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M.D., 285 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.



Olive Barber's Observations

"Hammer, anvil and stirrup!" Glibly I rattled off the names of the three little bones in the inner ear when, as a fourth grader, I was made to memorize the bones of the body.

Well, I suppose if it's laudable for man to make three blades of grass where but one grew before, then Nature may be pardoned for doing the same with bones. And that's just what she did when, having given a bird but one bone in its inner ear, she trebled this in the ear of man. Instead of the hammer-anvil-stirrup trio, a bird has a churning dasher bone which sound affects when the ear fluid vibrates.

Yet a bird can hear sounds which we cannot for all our more intricate equipment. During the last World War parrots heard, and gave warning of, approaching planes long before they could either be seen or heard by human beings. Too, birds will act greatly disturbed some time before we can hear the report of an explosion. Of course it could be that they feel the vibrations of the explosion rather than really hear it. There are so many things to be taken into consideration when trying to interpret bird behavior by a comparison with our own.

Most birds have no outer ear shell, such as we have, though some owls have an ear flap which they can raise or lower at will. This should be mighty convenient when an owl wife goes in for a bit of heckling, or when a lecture or sermon is dull or long. He can just let down the flap and shut out the unpleasantness.

Also some birds have a resonance chamber. Passing through this enlarged cavity in the skull, sounds are greatly magnified. Nature was kind that she did not so equip us. We hear far too much as it is. What we need is a filtering attachment for our ears; a something which would sift out the vain babblings, the gossip and unkind remarks which we often hear only too well. I suggest such a gadget as an evolutionary goal for us to work toward. Just as birds need to have acute hearing for their physical protection, it has some times seemed to me that a little deafness would contribute to our emotional protection.

A peculiar thing about owl ear flaps is that some close from one side and some from another. Scientists are at a loss to explain the reason for this. And reason there must be, for Nature does nothing for pure whimsy. You figure it out as your contribution to the scientific world.

See Mail Tribune Want Ads.

Truth About Subsidies

Babson Gives Both Sides of Argument

Washington, D. C., Dec. 13.—(Special Correspondence)—So many inquiries come to me asking for an explanation of "subsidies" that I am in Washington getting the story. Frankly, there are two sides to the problem and I am convinced that the leaders on both sides are honest. If you believe in "paying-as-you-go" and letting nature take its course, then you will oppose subsidies; but if you believe in borrowing and postponing the day of settlement, then you will favor subsidies. To be specific, the farmers are opposing subsidies; but labor is urging subsidies.

Subsidies Like Dam in Unruly Waters

A subsidy bears the same relation to prices as a dam bears to an unruly stream of water. A dam does not destroy the water; but the flow can be regulated by a dam. Dams are, therefore, useful in flood control; but if too much water is dammed up, it either flows over the dam or else breaks the dam. In the long run, you cannot fool or have a substitute for the Law of Demand and Supply. Therefore, subsidies are useful to regulate prices; but only for a short time. Subsidies are no good to prevent price rises which are due to a PERMANENT increased demand or shortage of supply.

If the producers of wheat are not making enough money, they will stop raising wheat. There are two ways to prevent this. One is to let the price of wheat go up so that production will again increase; the other is for the government to "appease" the farmers by giving them a small bonus or subsidy for raising wheat. (A few years ago we gave them a bonus for NOT raising wheat!) In a way, the subsidy plan seems fair because then the extra cost would be distributed all over the country through taxation and not fixed upon the farmers alone.

Subsidies Prevent Price Pyramiding

When the Law of Supply and Demand is permitted freely to work—as it must be in the long run—there is a considerable pyramiding of profits. For instance, when the farmer raises his price for wheat, the converters, wholesalers and retailers are not content to add the equivalent amount to the price of flour and bread but all increase their prices on a percentage basis. This could result in the price of bread increasing five cents when the farmer receives only one cent more for the wheat in the bread. Hence, the labor unions want subsidies.

President Roosevelt and his advisors are having a terrible struggle to keep wages at their present level. The administration is in an especially tough spot at the present time because next year is election year. It will be very difficult to hold both the farmer vote and the labor vote, to say nothing regarding the consumers' vote. Subsidies do not solve the problem; but they could postpone the solution until after the election!

Subsidies Are A Political Gamble

This country now is much like a man who needs to have a surgical operation, but he has some very important affairs facing him and cannot now afford the time to go to the hospital. Therefore, the doctors give him a belt to wear and certain pills to take which will delay the necessity of an immediate operation. Moreover, once in awhile, during such a delay, nature cures the patient and the operation is not needed at all. Although believing in their hearts that the subsidy program will give only temporary aid, the president's advisors do know that there is one chance in ten of it giving permanent relief.

Subsidies are habit-forming. To start subsidies may be like a man starting to use a drug. A man believes he can quit it any time, but too many have been sadly disappointed. SUBSIDIES ARE LIKE CERTAIN DRUGS.—USEFUL ON OCCASIONS, MAYBE, BUT VERY DANGEROUS. After subsidizing one product, producers of other products will try to get similar government aid; soon the country could be in an awful mess. As it is always easier to start a habit than to break it up, it will be much more difficult to cut off subsidies

in years to come, than to start them at the present time.

Some Subsidies Probably Wise

A further evil of subsidies is that they are never paid for by current taxes, but by selling government bonds and dumping the cost on future generations. Naturally, this is a popular argument; but a very questionable one in the sight of God. Finally this question of subsidies is closely connected with the possible length of the war. If we are in for a long war there is no use of bothering with subsidies. We had better let nature take its course and inflation gradually increase with a slow rise in both prices and wages. But must go up together and, hence, in the end no one group will be any better off. On the other hand, if it is to be a short war, then subsidies can perform a real service even to the farmers by lessening the dangerous drop in farm prices which is sure to take place after the war. This is because subsidies will succeed in keeping down prices for a short time. (I will discuss the probable length of the war in my annual forecast which will be released on December 30th.) Probably—as the lesser of two evils, a subsidy on a VERY FEW universally used products may now be wise.

CONFEREES DEPART

San Juan, P. R., Dec. 13.—(U.P.)—Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the U. S. fleet, and Marshal Sir John Dill, British member of the combined chiefs of staff, passed through here yesterday en route from the Cairo and Tehran conferences.

TRIAL ADJOURNED

New York, Dec. 13.—(U.P.)—The trial of seven men alleged to have extorted more than \$1,000,000 from the motion picture industry through a threat of paralyzing strikes was adjourned today because of the illness of John Roselli, a defendant.

Daily Meteorological Report

Forecasts
Medford and vicinity: Fair tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.
Oregon: Fair tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.
Local Data
Temperature—year ago today:
Highest 44, lowest 33
Total monthly precipitation, .63 inches. Deficiency for the month, .46 inch.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1943, 5.61 inches. Excess for the season, 1.32 inch.
Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 52%; 5 a. m. today, 98%.
Tomorrow
Sunrise 8:31 a. m., sunset 5:40 p. m.
Observations taken at 5 a. m., 120 meridian time:

	Boise	Boston	Chicago	Denver	Durham	Helena	Los Angeles	Medford	New York	Omaha	Phoenix	Portland	Reno	Roseburg	Salt Lake	San Francisco	Seattle	Spokane	Washington, D. C.	Yakima
Precipitation	39	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
Wind	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear
Temp.	39	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34
Humidity	39	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17

Closing time for Classified ads 9 a. m. — Too late to classify 12:30 p. m.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

December 13, 1933
(It was Wednesday)
Russia welcomes new American ambassador.

Sen. Hiram Johnson comes out for Roosevelt's plans.

Transient relief director addresses Lions club.

Unsettled with occasional light rains. High 59, low 35 degrees.

Santa Claus to appear personally in local stores tomorrow.

Old age pension plan is explained by county court.

Buttermakers of county to meet here Saturday.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

December 13, 1913
(It was Thursday)
Valley rancher is charged with holding emigrants in bondage.

Democrats of Michigan plan to nominate Henry Ford for president, even if he won't accept it.

Rain. High 39, low 34 degrees.

New soldiers' bonus bill is introduced in congress.

Police warn residents to lock their doors as burglars are abroad.

Washington to play Navy in Rose Bowl game New Years day.

Inclusion of Diamond lake in Crater Lake Park urged.

News of 4-H CLUBS

Roxy Ann 4-H met Nov. 27 at the home of Mrs. Higgins. New officers were elected as follows: Ronald Lehman, president; Lois Nelson, vice-president; LeRoy Pederson, secretary, and Vernon Lehman, treasurer. Names were drawn for Christmas.

We have four new members in our club, Charles Ashpole, Henry, Dick and William Padgham.

After the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Higgins, then all had a grand game of baseball. Next meeting is to be Dec. 18 at the Nelson home.

See Mail Tribune Want Ads.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Jackson County. In the Matter of the Estate of Lottie V. Samuels, deceased. The undersigned has been by the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, appointed administratrix of the estate of Lottie V. Samuels, deceased, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same, with the proper vouchers, within six months after the first publication hereof, to the undersigned, at the office of Glenn O. Taylor, her attorney, at 126 East Main St., Medford, Oregon.

Dated and first published November 22nd, 1943.
NEVA G. SAMUELS,
Administratrix of Said Estate.

How To Relieve Bronchitis

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