

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

"Everyone in Southern Oregon Reads the Mail Tribune"

Daily Except Saturdays

Published by MEDFORD PRINTING CO.

57-59 North First St. Phone 2141

ROBERT W. RUIH, Editor

ROBERT H. GILBERT, Manager

An Independent Newspaper

Entered as second class matter at Medford, Oregon, under Act of March 3, 1879.

Subscription Rates

By Mail—In Advance—Medford, Ashland, Central Point, Jacksonville, Gold Hill, Phoenix, Talent, and all other routes.

Daily and Sunday—One year, \$1.00

Daily and Sunday—Six months, .65

Daily and Sunday—Three months, .40

Daily and Sunday—One month, .15

All terms cash in advance.

Official Paper of the City of Medford

Official Paper of Jackson County

Carried Free—Full Local Wire

MEMBER OF AUDIT BUREAU OF CIRCULATIONS

Advertising Representative

WEST-HOLIDAY COMPANY, INC.

Offices in New York, Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Seattle, Portland, St. Louis, Atlanta, Vancouver, B. C.

Member

OREGON NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION

Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

According to the Treasury

everybody in the land had \$5.05

more in his pocket during

November than in October.

Several around here brag they

can account for the nickel.

Field Marshal Erwin (the

esteemed Salem Statesman edi-

torially calls him Edwin) Rom-

mel, has been placed in charge

of western defenses by Herr

Hitler. Erwin is the one Ger-

man general who relies more on

his running ability than his

bullheadedness to win, and is

full of legitimate military

trickiness. If any of the Nazi

out-throats entitled to leni-

ency, when the whole war hang-

ings start in the post-war period

he is the one. Because of his

elusiveness in African desert

warfare, he is called "The Fox."

When the Allies launch their

invasion of Germany he will

have to be "The Fox" and spell

it with two x's (Foxx).

Everybody bore up well

under the fog. It was the only

disagreeableness in a long time

not caused by bureaucratic

tinkering. Furthermore, caus-

ing of the same was not listed

as giving aid and comfort to

the foe.

Fathers report their offspring

of tender years are finer boys

and girls, than at any time the

past year and can show Emily

Post, the etiquette expert, how

to be polite. Several will be

glad when Santa Claus has

come and gone, so Junior can

show some juvenile rascality

and vary the monotony.

SCOTCH BROOM!

(Skiyou (Cal.) News)

"You see, the OPA set sell-

ing prices on broom but not

on the broom corn used in

their manufacture. The lat-

ter promptly bounced from

around \$70 a ton to far over

\$300 a ton. Result, most fac-

tories have quit rather than

go bankrupt, and there will

be fewer brooms with which

to sweep out the bureau-

crats."

A Chicago judge freed a red-

headed lady charged with

threatening to admit daylight

to her boy-friend via a .38, on

the grounds she wrote poetry.

She is again at liberty armed

with both a pistol and pencil.

"WANTED—To buy second

hand saddle for lady, in good

condition. Write Delbert En-

sby."—(Longview (Wash.) News.)

—No high horse stuff.

The Mayor of New York

talked dry before New York

preachers and the press promp-

tly put a journalistic foot on that

bit of political hypocrisy. They

re-printed a 1929 picture re-

vealing the Mayor, transform-

ing home-brew into real beer

and charged His Honor was a

two-fisted drinker who took

four slugs of whiskey in his

high-balls. It looks like the

nation was faced with the re-

turn of the candidate who gets

drunk and makes temperance

speeches.

A congressman complains

the Cairo conference of the "Big

Three" offers Japan "nothing

but extermination." That was

all Japan offered America. "As

ye give so shall ye receive."

LIFE ON COOS BAY!

The old blues refrain "So she

danced off both of her shoes,"

was literally and figuratively

enacted this week when "Gas-

House Mary," one of Marsh-

field's genial waitresses, jitters-

bugged her shoes away. The

incident occurred at a public

dance, when the pretty waitress

lost both slippers in the shuffle."

—(Coos Bay Times).

Closing time for Sunday Too Late

to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon

—Pineapple publisher.

Don't Gamble On It

A representative of the U. S. Treasury outlining plans for the next war loan, declares this one may be next to the last—a prelude to the final Victory drive, to end all loan drives, as far as World War No. 2 is concerned.

The U. S. Treasury representative may be right. We hope he is. But we trust those in charge of the loan will not sanction any such talk as an incentive for more generous buying.

AS a matter of fact no one knows when this war will end, and the need of extraordinary financial support will no longer be needed. And this goes for those who are at the front running the war, as well as for those who are thousands of miles behind the front listening to reports of it.

THE war might end tomorrow. On the other hand it might still be going on a year—even two years hence.

There are so many imponderables in the situation that the most authoritative prophecy as to when fighting will stop can be no better than a guess.

SO the less those in charge of this January war loan try to pose as war soothsayers the better for them and for all concerned.

Let them concentrate on the fact that more billions are needed and must be raised, and leave speculation as to just when the war will stop to those who have no responsibilities in the important matter of financing it.

How About General Patton?

According to reports from Washington, various promotions affecting U. S. generals in active service, are being held up until the public reaction regarding General Patton and his striking of the soldier boy has been more clearly determined.

For General Patton's name is on the list, and the powers-that-be don't wish to run the risk of incurring disfavor by giving the principal in the North African "incident" a raise in rank, when the American people would like to see him punished by demotion if nothing worse.

THIS strikes us as a thoroughly undignified and improper procedure. For it is insistence upon doing the one thing that should NOT be done, namely deciding this issue on the basis of personal popularity and POLITICS.

WE are at war.

General Patton is an important officer in that war. The question is not what the people of the country may or may not THINK of General Patton and what he did, but the fitness of the general for the job he is doing.

WAS the General himself suffering from shell-shock when he attacked this young soldier and therefore was he not entirely accountable for his actions? Or was there no such excuse, this was not an isolated case, but merely added evidence that General Patton is a four-flusher and a bully at heart, lacking entirely in self control, and emotionally unfit to hold any responsible command in the field—or anywhere else?

Certainly a general in this war who hasn't the respect and affection of his men, can not be doing his job as it should be done, and a commanding officer as utterly lacking in self-control and good sportsmanship as this incident would indicate, could not have that affection or respect.

On the other hand, if General Patton's record demonstrates that this incident was in no sense typical, does a great injustice to the man that the General is not only a great combat leader, but just, considerate and a square shooter—then there is every reason to believe he is doing his job as it should be done and he should not only be retained but because of his splendid record be raised in rank.

In other words this is not—or should not be—a matter of popular opinion or politics, but a matter of the record and the facts.

Let the proper authorities determine what these are, and then regardless of what the popular view may or may not be, let them act in accordance with THEM—and nothing else.

Back To the Dishpan?

A not-so-prominent but nevertheless significant item on page one the other day afforded welcome relief from the almost solid diet of war news upon which the American public has been feeding for so many months. It was a dispatch from Los Angeles announcing the results of a questionnaire circulated among the city's working women asking if they planned to return to housekeeping after the war. The answer, of course, was a foregone conclusion. Seventy-five per cent obliged with an emphatic "no."

There is a nutshell in one of the major problems which will face Washington bigwigs in the post-war period. During the past year or two American women have tasted work entirely foreign to the washing, bed making, cooking, ironing and innumerable other chores which previously had marked their humdrum existence. And they like the change. They like to feel they are doing something worthwhile, and they like to be paid for it.

So—back to the dishpan? "Never!" say the gals. Whereupon, gentlemen, a real and perhaps tragic problem is born!

Your Health and Its Care

BY DR. WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

Readers should address inquiries to: Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

SO YOU'RE TAKING TREATMENT FOR HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE?

From the letters I receive every day—letters from all classes of people—I gather that a good many ignorant people who may be college graduates or well educated in the ordinary sense of the term are taking treatment, trying medicine or following funny "diets" for high blood pressure, without any particular regard for what, if anything, ails them.



Dr. Brady

Well, America is a free country and here everybody has a right to make a fool of himself.

Having discovered in the course of an examination by a near doctor or a queer doctor that the blood pressure is high, or having inferred from some sense of fullness, pressure or throbbing in the head that the blood pressure must be too high, a good many people make d.f.s. of themselves by—

1. Taking frequent purgative doses of salts.
2. Excluding "red meat" or other food from the diet.
3. Swallowing a lot of garlic or something made from garlic.
4. "Just relaxing"—whatever that may mean.
5. Following a salt-free or salt-poor diet.
6. Taking plain or fancy sweat baths in the belief that sweating "eliminates poisons" from the system.

Too many uninformed or misinformed people imagine one with high blood pressure has "too much blood" or that the blood is "too thick." Neither notion is correct. One with high blood pressure has no more blood than a normal individual and is as likely to be anemic or to have thin blood as is any one else.

These are negative facts, but

it is necessary to rid the mind of such false notions before you can begin to understand what does cause high blood pressure.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Left Handedness

Daughter, three years old, seems to be left-handed. Is it advisable to begin now to make her use the right hand, so she will not have trouble when she enters school? (W. S.)

Answer—No. I advise you to let the child alone. Moreover, when she enters school permit no interference with her handedness by teachers.

Infected Tonsils

I am a worried mother. My 19-year-old daughter suffers for weeks at a time from what the doctors call streptococcus throat. But two good doctors who say her tonsils should be removed refuse to attempt it because her blood is not right—she bleeds too freely. They tried giving her large white tablets for a month, but still her blood does not clot as quickly as it should. So they say she must just take her chances.

Answer—Diatrymy extraction of tonsils (electro-coagulation) is the ideal method in your daughter's case. I could refer you to a skilled man far from your city, but I don't know of one in your city. I can recommend this method effectively eradicates, disinfests, drains the infected tonsil tissues, and is bloodless, in skilled hands.

Breathing and Circulation

I think you had an article or two some time ago telling about the effect of breathing on the circulation, in angina pectoris and the like. As my husband has angina pectoris I'd be grateful for any advice you may have along that line. (Mrs. C. R. W.)

Answer—Send twenty-five cents and stamped envelope bearing your address for booklet "How to Breathe."

Son, 4½, has had pinworms on and off for two years. I've taken him to several doctors and they set as it is a joke and tell me to get any good remedy at the drugstore for it. (Mrs. J. W.)

Answer—Send ten cents and stamped envelope bearing your address for booklet "Unbidden Guests," which deals with pinworms, roundworms, hookworms, tapeworms, trichina worms, scabies, fleas, ants, spiders, ringworms, roaches, mosquitoes, flies, mites, lice, etc. (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., 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

DEAN RESIDENCE DAMAGED BY FIRE

Fire which escaped from a fireplace on the second story floor caused considerable damage early this morning to the home of A. Z. (Rubby) Dean, 1006 S. Oakdale avenue. Local firemen were summoned to extinguish the blaze at 12:10 a. m. Fire Chief Roy Elliott reported today that the fire escaped between the base of the fireplace and the wall, and spread by eating through the joists between the wall and plaster to the back part of the house. Estimates of financial loss had not been made yet today, but damage was reported to be extensive.

BIRTHS

HERRING—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert, Rt. 1, box 137½, Medford, Dec. 16, a girl, seven pounds, at Community hospital.

CLOWER—To Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rt. 4, box 281, Medford, Dec. 15, a boy, eight pounds, at Community hospital.

Top Honors To State's 4-H Home Beauty Winner



PHYLLIS FOSTER, 18, of Cottage Grove, Oregon, state entrant in the 1943 nationwide 4-H home grounds beautification contest, has been selected as one of eight national winners. Her reward is an all-expense trip to the 22nd National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, provided by Mrs. Charles R. Walgreen, Chicago horticultural enthusiast. In club work six years she completed 24 home beautification tasks, which included helping clean up driveway, laying out a garden plot, planting shrubs and trees, putting up a lattice fence and gates, adding lawn furniture, setting out grape vines, building a rock garden and lily bed, wishing well, rock wall, flower bed, grape arbor, and an outdoor fire place. The girl values her home grounds beautification work at \$200. She is an excellent and junior leader one year each.

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 17, 1933 (It was Monday)

Furious storm pounds Oregon coast.

Last day to mail Christmas gifts to east.

Unsettled with rain. High 49, low 39 degrees.

Decision due soon on Medford irrigation district loans.

France opposed to Germany's demand for right to rearm.

Considerable cattle stealing going on in county, sheriff reports.

Christmas shopping now far ahead of last year.

King George of Greece is forced to abdicate by orders of army and premier.

Rain. High 64, low 32. Precipitation .03 of an inch.

Mexican government forces capture rebel city.

Standard Oil is awarded million dollar damages against Germany for war losses.

Secretary of State Hughes turns down plea of Soviet Russia.

Carload of oranges arrive from California for Christmas trade.

Guy Leonard, secretary of the Fresno Chamber of Commerce, to address Forum.

Dog poisoners slaughtering local pets.

BIGAMIST THINKS SINGING DID IT

Kansas City, Kans., Dec. 17.—(U.P.)—Thomas Roberts, who married three girls in six months and was convicted of bigamy on his 18th birthday, sat in his cell today and sang his favorite song—"I'm Through With Love."

That was the song he sang to each of his wives while courting them.

"I guess they liked my singing," he said. The youth, who affects a thin mustache and looks older than 18, heard a jury of eight men and four women convict him of bigamy yesterday. Judge Harvey Emerson said he would impose sentence tomorrow.

See Mail Tribune Want Ads.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer although the use of a pen name or initials for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarity and conciseness.

"Tops In Odd Requests"

To the editor: It was with some little indignation that I read of the local Ration Board's little "tops in odd requests" featured in the Mail Tribune of December 15th.

Just what is so odd about a soldier's request for boots to keep his feet warm and dry? He was unable to get them through the Army and had written his wife to request the Ration Board here to issue the necessary permission to purchase the foot gear. (He was a Jackson county boy—hence the

request of this board.) Soldiers more fortunately located within the boundaries of the United States are able to go to their ration boards with requests for special allotments of rationed foods and gasoline without being looked upon as slightly ridiculous. As odd as it may seem we actually have troops in Italy, North Africa, the South Pacific and elsewhere who will have their demands to make on the ration boards, just as the boys on the home front.

I wonder just how odd his request looks from the soldier's viewpoint? Not nearly so odd as the board's refusal, I'll wager. Particularly since his wife had not yet had the courtesy of a personal refusal from the Ration Board or an explanation of the rule forbidding the granting of her request, but must first read of it in the paper under the

implied heading of a peculiarity and an oddity. I think the Ration Board owes her an apology on that point alone, not considering the fact that they found it necessary to submit her application for the boots to the newspaper at all. How about it? Housewife J. S. C. (Name on file.)

RACE HORSE SHOT

London, Dec. 17.—(U.P.)—Windsor Lad, top-ranking English horse in 1934 and an outstanding sire in later years, has been destroyed because of complications which developed from a chronic blood stream infection. The horse, a favorite of the royal family, was shot yesterday after veterinarians diagnosed the ailment as incurable.

The Oregon State Penitentiary was built in Portland, but in 1866 was moved to its present site at Salem.

ANDERSON'S THRIFT MARKET

MEDFORD'S POPULAR TWO-FRONT STORE



CHRISTMAS TREE

NOW! Fine variety. All sizes. Smooth and round. Table size to 14 feet.

WE HAVE MORE THAN HALF A TON OF



HARD CANDIES

AND CHOCOLATE MIX

Christmas Wrapped Tobaccos
PRINCE ALBERT lb. 69c
VELVET lb. 69c
Chesterfield, Lucky Strike, Camel, Old Gold, Raleigh Cigarettes. Xmas wrapped carton \$7.28

ALL VARIETIES OF MIXERS

PEL-LA-CO
OYSTERS 2 cans 69c

TRUPAK
SHRIMP 2 cans 79c

HAVE YOU TRIED
SEA MUSSELS? 2 LARGE JARS 45c
MAKES THE FINEST CHOWDER

WE HAVE STORED A QUANTITY
VALENCIA ORANGES
for those who insist on sweet juice. 2 DOZ.

1/2 Case \$2.39 Doz. 33c

WE HAVE STORED A QUANTITY
VALENCIA ORANGES
for those who insist on sweet juice. 2 DOZ.

1/