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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Idaho has apparently nominated a cowboy crooner for the U.S. senate. This is one way to get rid of the ilk. Furthermore, a few outbreaks before the "most deliberative body in the world," outside of an Espee section crew, may result in a federal law, making crooning a felony.

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The Home Magazine sections of the metropolitan press are discussing "short cut methods" for the production of strawberry shortcake. One school favors biscuits, and the other cake. Still another school uses the shortest cut of all. They forget to use any strawberries.

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"The ant's a lucky little fellow. No government takes his hard-earned savings and distributes them among the grasshoppers." (Oakland (Cal.) Tribune)—The Have's and the Have-Nots.

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A rope shortage confronts the world, due to the Japanese control of hemp sources and supplies. As yet, it has not showed up in the alleged cigar shortage, where extensive use of rope is suspected.

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The rain on the Sabbath was the most severe ever experienced by many. Fishermen up their middles in Rogue River were drenched to the skin.

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PIONEER CHAGRIN (Pendleton East Oregonian)

"That was indeed a harrowing experience of Jo Waldrop's over in Morrow county. He was speaking in support of the congressional candidacy. He mentioned Mr. Ellis' name, whereat a resounding cheer arose from the assemblage. Every time he spoke of his republican opponent, ear-splitting yells rent the air and Jo was thoroughly cognizant of the fact that he had been deceived in expecting to carry Morrow county, as he stated here before leaving for Heppner."

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"Two gallons of gas sent 1,000 persons to the '62' celebration last week." — Canyon City Items.—Modern miracle.

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Invasion roars over Normandy, and the fall of Cherbourg, the queen port of France nears. About ten years ago the high school presented as its annual musical offering "The Chimes of Normandy." Some of the boys in the chorus may be there now.

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SOMETHING TO PONDER (Press Dispatch)

"Portland, June 17 (U.P.)—Yawata, the steel mill center in Japan bombed by American superfortresses, appeared frequently upon the voices of Japanese ships that loaded 863,000 tons of scrap iron here in the eight years preceding Pearl Harbor."

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Governors Bricker of Ohio and Dewey of New York loom as the GOP presidential nominees at Chicago next week. Both possess clear voices and oratorical ability, two accessories sadly lacking in the last three republican choices. Both can make the welkin ring with sincerity and logic, instead of soft-soap and charm.

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GOOD WORD FOR JUNE

"For June's sweetness is a tangible thing, a treat to the tongue itself.

June is summer still in a good temper. Put down an American anywhere in the world in June, and he will think of home, long to be there. But this week's June moon rhymes with something other than a love song, and this year's roses will be blood-red. This year's beedrone is an echo from the drone in other skies. And something more than the year turns with the solstice, this June of 1944.—(New York Times)

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Closing time for Classified ads 9 a. m. — Too Late to Classify, 12:30 p. m.

Willkie Favors Foreign Policy Calling For Close Cooperation With Other Countries of World

This is the seventh and last of a series of articles by Wendell L. Willkie, setting forth his views on subjects confronting the 1944 Republican national convention. This article deals with foreign policy.

By WENDELL L. WILLKIE

The administration has made many protestations of noble aims in foreign policy, but when the moment came to act on them, it has hesitated and compromised. Its foreign policy has not been to support American principles of freedom. It has dealt with the fascist elements in conquered countries; it has disregarded the will of the people of those countries; it has stubbornly and incredibly refused to acknowledge the committee of liberation as the provisional French government. It has been canny and personal and subjective. It has called this policy expediency. But since the policy has produced little but dislike, distrust and loss of prestige for the United States without achieving the intended political aims, it has not been even expedient.

The formulating of an affirmative foreign policy by the republican party is thus a particularly important platform task.

"Sharp Divisions" Noted

There have been sharp divisions within the party concerning the extent to which it is desirable for the United States to maintain and develop relations with other nations. But surely the long debate, the events through which we lived before the war, and the war itself have made plain that American policy cannot be separated into two unrelated compartments, one labeled foreign policy and one domestic policy. The two areas of action are inseparable; what happens in either immediately affects the other.

We are not living in several worlds. Our small American farms, our huge American factories, have close bonds with what is produced in the Andes and the hills of Szechuan, with the complex trade mechanism of London, with the cargoes that sail from Bombay and Oslo and Melbourne. Whatever we do at home constitutes foreign policy. And whatever we do abroad constitutes domestic policy. This is the great, new political fact.

Co-operation Held Necessary

Furthermore, we have learned conclusively that in the modern world the United States cannot survive militarily, economically or politically without close and continuing co-operation with the other nations of the world.

In stating its foreign policy platform the republican party should reflect this 20th century knowledge.

1. Its platform should demand the immediate creation of a functioning council of the United Nations, as a first step toward the ultimate formation of a general international organization, in order that directly, or by representation, all the peoples of the United Nations may have a voice in the political decisions that are already being made in the world. So far these decisions are being made—or, in some cases, sidestepped and postponed—by Great Britain, Russia and the United States, with China brought in as a "courtesy member" of the group where Asia is concerned.

Naturally the task of safeguarding the world from aggression will have to rest mainly on the shoulders of the great powers, since they alone possess the necessary military force. But the peoples of the small nations, and others not so small, whose political status and economic welfare are deeply involved in the decisions to be made, will not and should not permit three or four great powers to continue to dictate their destiny.

Voice Declared Essential

They must have a voice not only when decisions are made affecting their own fate but in shaping the world in which they will live. This is right; it is what will prove necessary in practice; and in the long run it will be advantageous to the national interest of a people with ideals like ours.

2. The platform should be clear and unambiguous in its attitude toward sovereignty. It should not adopt narrow nationalistic interpretations of the term; nor should it substitute quibbling words like "integrity." It should emphasize that our sovereignty is not something to be hoarded, but something to be used. The United States should use its sovereignty in co-operation with other powers to create an effective international organization for the good of all. History should have taught us that we gain more by co-operating to protect the general interest than by working alone for some imagined separate interest.

3. It should declare for a revision of the country's tariff policy. The United States by reciprocal arrangements should lower tariffs and break down trade barriers. This should be

done in consultation with other nations. For no longer can tariffs be arbitrarily determined by one nation without damaging the interests of others and provoking reactions that damage its own interests.

Currency Stabilization Cited

4. The republican platform must recognize the fact that world currency stabilization is indispensable to the revival of world trade. At the same time it should recognize realistically that the requirements of the period from war to peace and of the long years that will follow are quite different. The chief need of the transition period will be relief, rehabilitation and the liquidation of foreign owned balances—in other words, the problem is how to carry lend-lease to its logical conclusion. The long term problem is the maintenance of as even balances as possible. The procedure for the first problem is relatively simple, and in any case lies largely in the control of the United States. For the second it is intricate. In its essence it must be based upon a relationship between the American dollar and the British pound, though co-operation of the nations of the world will be required.

5. Finally, the republican platform should state the conviction that, Mr. Churchill to the contrary, the ideologies for which we fight have not become blurred for us in the course of the fighting, but have become clearer every day; and that, Mr. Roosevelt to the contrary, in becoming wiser we have not become more cynical. We know that the sacrifices of our men and women in this war has not been made simply in order to defend ourselves against brute force. We are fighting a war for men's minds. This means that we must encourage men's just aspirations for freedom not only at home but everywhere in the world.

American Troops Lauded

Today all Americans watch with anxious hearts, and with pride and gratitude, the accomplishments of our armed forces in the far Pacific, in Italy, in Russia, and now on the shores of France. But while they are winning the armed victory for us, we have already begun to lose the things that victory could bring. Three years ago, two years ago, the United States had the material, the political, the moral leadership of the world. Today we have only the material leadership. We have lost political leadership through ineptness and delay. We have lost moral leadership through attempted expediency.

The republican party should frame and pursue a foreign policy that will recapture America's lost leadership.

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COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer, although the use of a pen name is not insisted upon. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarity and conciseness.

The Proof of the Pudding

To the editor:

Your editorial on the sales tax was fine. To me the Oregon Grange votes like a bunch of nuts on the sales tax question. They must be New Dealers.

I notice in today's paper a communication that censures your editorial and states it is the taxes paid that tells the story.

Enclosed is a tax record that you may want to make use of. It tells the true story.

Very truly, Dr. W. W. Howard.

Taxes I have paid on 50 acres of California land that shows the result of the sales tax. Dr. W. W. Howard, 215 E. Jackson Blvd., Medford, Ore.

Year Tax Year Tax

1921 \$179.88 1933 \$ 63.93

1922 281.37 1934 61.14

1923 148.41 1935 65.48

1924 133.18 1936 61.84

1925 134.62 1937 37.23

1926 139.06 1938 34.20

1927 171.46 1939 34.20

1928 170.22 1940 35.34

1929 161.70 1941 40.18

1930 113.09 1942 34.48

1931 111.90 1943 29.40

1932 97.83

City Park Badly Managed

To the Editor: I've often wondered how long it would be before those men who take care of (our) city park, would get caught up with.

One day last summer my sister and I were sitting in the park and my young son age five and his cousin age six were throwing a small rubber ball back and forth; now mind you were in the southeast end where they couldn't possibly hurt anyone or anything, when one of those men hollered over and says, "You kids quit that." I told them to go ahead and play and this fellow comes over about half way and hollers out at me, "I told those kids to quit that and that's park rules and regulations; there's a playground across the bridge and if they

want to play, that's where you should take them."

We were so mad we got up and left the park and I dare say I haven't been back for, quite some time. The way they said it wasn't nice.

Also one time when I was walking home from town I sat down on that concrete bench on the N.W. corner of the park to rest, one of the men (I don't know his name but I'd know him most anywhere) was watering the lawn about half way between where I was and the S.W. corner. As soon as I sat down, he brought his hose over near where I was and hollered again, (they never come directly to you, just yell), "Lady you'll have to move if you don't want to get wet." There was just plenty of ground that needed watering besides under that bench, and as you know there isn't any grass there anyway. The way they talk to the grown-ups is really insulting. It just sounds like we didn't have half sense or at least they seem to think so.

These aren't the only two times that those men (there are only two of them that I know of who have done it) have acted that way as last night paper indicated, and I wouldn't be afraid to bet that there are very few children who have gone to the park when those men are there, that haven't been told to get out.

Now, I don't believe children should be allowed to do things that are destructive but it seems just because those two men have a grouse for some reason or other it is no reason they have to take it out on people who visit our city park. But if it is a grouse it's a rather long one because it's been going on for at least two years that I know of.

Subscriber.

(Name on file)

Jacksonville, June 19th.

Granger For Sales Tax

To the editor: In answer to the editorial in Friday's issue regarding the sales tax, I have been a member of the Grange for several years; I have heard every sales tax that our Legislature has proposed discussed by the local Grange I am for a sales tax and likewise many, and possibly a majority of Grangers are for a sales tax if our Legislature should ever offer us a tax that would leave something over and above the cost of administering it.

As a suggestion I would say that sales tax to take care of any deficit that might be incurred by a tax exemption for all homes up to \$3,000 might be the answer. I know it would get my vote and many others, in this country a man might lose his home in many ways but it should NEVER be for TAXES.

ELWOOD HUSSEY,

Cave City, Ore.

Oregon One of Few Sensible States

To the editor:

Thomas Jefferson certainly had some splendid ideas. These include his emphasis on the right of a sovereign state as far as possible to mind its own business and make its own laws.

Enjoying this splendid right, Oregon has some very wise provisions in her constitution, among which are the initiative, referendum and recall.

The power to tax, delegated to any legislative body is a very dangerous one and easily abused. I have always enjoyed the fact that Oregon was one of the few states with sense enough not to have a sales tax; and few things have given me greater pleasure than in the public election to knock down the ears of the legislature and wipe such a law off the books.

Horace W. Thompson,

609 Newtown,

Medford, Ore.

Cut For White Collars

To the editor: In regard to your \$64 question, I would like to express my views.

First, I wonder why the political ring insists on a sales tax in Oregon when they have been told so plain by the majority vote that the people did not care for such a tax? Could it be there is a certain cut for the white collars if the sales tax becomes a law?

I lived in California for almost three years after the sales tax was written into the laws by the legislature and not by a vote of the people. In or about 1928 (I believe) the sales tax came to a ballot vote and was rejected by the majority of voters. On or about 1932 California state legislature passed the tax as a law in that state. It came into effect about July 1, 1932.

The first fiscal year of sales tax in that state, according to newspaper reports amounted to around fifty-two million. In the fall of same year they voted to bond the state for around sixty-

six million to meet state expenses.

The second year of the sales tax they raised the real property tax of northern California from 40% to 50% assessed valuation of real valuation.

For the period of time that I lived in California the sales tax amounted to around 5% for the consumer instead of the 3%.

It was true the retailer at that time paid 3% of his gross sales shown on his books, what tax was left over was his added profit.

I am not opposed to a honest and just tax on luxuries, such as confections, jewelry, fine clothes, etc. But I am opposed to a sales tax on the common necessities of living.

There is one good quality in the tax of California as I have not heard of a pension for the aged being taken away from anyone simply because they earned a few extra dimes by sharpening scissors and knives, and that is what happened in our home county.

BEN WERTZ,

Rt. 1, Box 52,

Jacksonville, Oregon.

BUDGET HEARING

WINDUP TONIGHT

Following the regular semi-monthly meeting of the city council in Mayor C. A. Meeker's office in city hall tonight at 7:30, the final and public hearing will be held on the city budget for 1944-45. The budget has been approved by the council and the citizen's budget committee and has been published twice.

Total amount of the budget is \$287,721.42, with \$159,204.35 to be raised by tax levy. Amount to be raised is approximately \$20,000 less than the \$189,397.27 raised during the fiscal year 1943-44. The decrease according to City Superintendent Frank Rogers, is due to the fact the city has more cash on hand than it had in 1943-44.

Based on a valuation figure of slightly more than \$10,000,000 in 1943-44, the levy for 1944-45 is expected to be about two mills less than the 17.1-cent levy of 1943-44, the city superintendent stated.

Most important business the council expected to discuss was that of a municipal swimming pool which is being sought by several local groups and citizens.

Prospect

Prospect, June 20—Otto Bahr, night fireman for the George L. Jantzer Lumber Co., received from the war department, June 15, the Purple Heart with a gold star, and a citation for bravery that was posthumously awarded to his son, Harold V. Bahr, of the U.S.N.R., who was killed in action in the South Pacific area over a year ago.

Miss Calleen Moore and Miss Annabelle Willrich left last week for Washington where the former will visit her aunt, Mrs. Myrtle Gentry at Yakima, for a few weeks, and Miss Annabelle will spend the summer with her parents at Cumberland. The latter has been staying at the Fred Svith home here, and finishing her senior year at the local high school, as her parents moved to Washington the first of the year. The girls also stopped at Portland en route and visited another member of their class, Miss Sharon Vanderwal.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Chapman and children spent June 11 with Mrs. Chapman's brother, Pvt. Meade, at Camp Abbott, near Bend.

Mrs. Ed Pease and daughter, Miss Jean, spent Friday and Saturday with friends in Medford. They were accompanied home by Miss Betty Jane Green of Medford, who spent Sunday with Miss Jean.

Chauncey Arant returned to his home here June 16 after spending a few days in Eugene receiving medical treatment. Mr. Arant is greatly improved in health.

Mrs. Lewis sustained painful burns about the feet and legs June 18, when a pan of hot lard accidentally tipped.

Miss Gloria Dunagan of Medford has been a guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. James Dole, and cousin, Mrs. William Gaines, for several days.

Glenn Fairchild, Sr., employed in Douglas county, spent the week-end with his family here.

Among local men going to Portland for pre-induction physical examinations June 13 were Harry Goode and Delbert Spain.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice E. Scheel and little son, Jimmy, left June 16 for Corvallis where Mr. Scheel, superintendent of Prospect schools, will attend summer school at Oregon State college.

The Mail Tribune Want Ads.

VALENTINE LOUNGE SMOKED BY FIRE

Fire which broke out in the cocktail lounge of Valentine's cafe at 5 South Riverside at 12:05 this noon, did considerable damage to the walls, paneling and the refrigeration system of the cafe. The fire was caused by an overheated motor in one of the refrigerators, cafe employees stated. Two of the large cases in the refrigerating system were damaged considerably and the decorations were damaged by smoke.

Slight damage may have occurred to the basement of Wainwright's Drugs next door to Valentine's, Fire Chief Elliott reported.

Shortly after the Valentine fire was reported, another was reported at 616 Catherine street, in the residence of H. C. Wainwright. An overheated oil stove started the blaze, which did very little damage.

The fire department was called out to the Zero Club late last evening to control a flue fire which reportedly did no damage.

McLeod

McLeod, June 20 — Mrs. Blanche McKeun of Eastern Oregon is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mervyn Carlton.

Mrs. Eva Seggesman, Mrs. Caroline Harding, Miss Elva and Zella Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vaughn and Jackie Carlton all motored to Grants Pass Thursday and took the sixth degree at the State Grange.

Harry Harding, Jr., of Napa, Calif., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harding, Sr., for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Strass and daughter, Sandra, of Sams Valley, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack of Talent were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDonnell and family on June 11.

Mrs. Maxine McEwen of Napa, Calif., Mrs. Caroline Harding, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Scheel and Jackie Carlton all attended the wedding reception in Medford on June 1 of Miss Joan Edler and Alva Wright who were married on that date.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dolenccheck are Mrs. Ruth Lee of Medford and Mr. and Mrs. W. Mason and children.

Mrs. Ann Beal of Chilquien who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stafford has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDowell and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wilson attended the show in Medford June 10.

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

WEATHER

Northern California: Fair today and tonight, except cloudy near coast. Partly cloudy north Wednesday, fair south part and light rain northern coast and mountains. Little temperature change.

AIR CADET KILLED

Gardner Field, Calif., June 20 —(U.P.)—Aviation Cadet Samuel D. Scott, 26, of Monmouth, Ill., was killed yesterday when his plane collided with another near here, but the pilot of the other plane, Cadet Charles W. Williams, 24, parachuted to safety.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY July 20, 1934 (It was Wednesday)

Police quell strike disturbance on Portland docks.

Oakland, Ore., bank robber is captured by posse and \$2000 in loot recovered.

Partly cloudy. High 80, low 50 degrees.

Federal housing plan to start within 60 days.

Valley turkey growers to meet and discuss prices.