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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Parry

Gov. Bricker of Ohio, a GOP presidential possibility, in a Chicago speech on the eve of the national convention opening to-day, lets fly with a lethal wisecrack, viz:

"Democrats and Republicans have much in common these days. Neither has much to say in Washington."

As a wisecrack, it will win no Pulitzer prize, yet it demonstrates the Ohioan knows what is going on. If elected president, the CIO chiefs and communists would now fervently endorse the Fourth Term nonsense, would come in the front door of the White House only.

GOOD FOLKS ONCE

(Your Life Mag.)

"They are essentially a kindly hearted, laughter-loving people, taking life easy and not allowing its petty ills unnecessarily to upset their equanimity." You probably would never guess the subject of that bit of descriptive matter is from a famous encyclopedia, but it is the Japanese. Needless to say, the material will be revised in the next edition."

A northern California exchange, through a country correspondent, reports: "The rain was widely welcomed, and farmers ran into the road yelling 'Eureka!' People who have been around farmers at this time of the year, when it rains, report differently. They say the tillers are more apt to run for the house yelling, 'Hell's Bells.'"

"It may be all right for married people to fight on our streets week days, but we won't stand for it on Sundays."—(Albany Greater Oregon)—Problem of propriety.

There will be no firecrackers, anyway not many, the coming Fourth. There will be little, if any, regretting by small boys they have but one thumb to be blown off for their country.

SLICK KTRICK ITEM

(Press Dispatch)

"New York—(U.P.)—Reference John F. Carew recommended to the supreme court that the case of the Smiling Irishman vs. the Laughing Irishman, sales slogans of two used car dealers, be thrown out of court on the grounds that one of the 'Irishmen' was German and the other Italian. Justice John E. McGehean, definitely an Irishman, will rule on the recommendation."

A captured Nazi officer, under questioning by Allied officers, reports "defeat will leave Germany in chaos." "Chaos" will be what they have coming, but there will be plenty of Russian, American, British troops and underground patriots from the little conquered lands, to handle the situation. Disarmament of the incubator of two wars to conquer and enslave the rest of the world, appears to be the one certain clause of the peace terms. They come under the head of habitual disturbers of the global peace. Any future fighting by the Teutons will be limited to among themselves, and not allowed to stray over into a weaker neighbor nation.

SUSPICIOUS LITTLE WOMAN

"My wife would make a good detective, because she is suspicious all the time, and while she might suspect a lot of people who are guilty of nothing, she certainly wouldn't overlook any real criminals. When she sees a man of my age eating dinner in an expensive restaurant with his daughter, she immediately suspects that the pretty girl is some other man's daughter. She has half a notion to find out the man's name and phone his poor, hard working wife. When my wife sees an old widower in church seeking salvation, she suspects he is seeking a young wife."—(Claude Callan, Kansas City Times).

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Editorial Correspondence

Chicago June 23.—This is the "23rd,—skidoo!" Wish we could. Our worst fears at Omaha last night have been realized. After one of the most comfortable cross-country train trips we have ever enjoyed—a car that was cool as a cucumber and rode on cushion tires all the way,—here we are in one of the worst June days Chicago ever produced. Steam bath, dead air, and dirt! And ye editor is in a "court-room" in a loop hotel 12 stories up. However, everyone says we are lucky to have a room at all and for this we had to pay in advance.

"23-skidoo!"—somehow that makes us think of Chicago back in the bicycle-built-for-two days. What did it mean anyway? (Wish Mrs. Soosmith were here, she would know.) We are at the Hotel Sherman as is the rest of the Oregon delegation, corner of Randolph and Clark. Haven't been in this "home of the College Inn" in at least 30 years,—the old Sherman has had its face lifted since then, and rises in the humidity at least 16 stories!

It is 90 in the shade at the present moment. What the humidity is we can only guess but it can't be less than that. There was a tornado last night near the old home town of Rockford, Ill., 90 miles to the west, but the Overland came through Winnebago county too early for us to see it. The porter said he saw the roof of a barn straddling a fence along the right of way. We have seen three or four tornadoes at a distance but have never been in one. We would rather like to take a ride in one now, for the sake of the breeze.

It is amazing how definite the characters of cities are and how they conform through the years. Chicago has always been a sucker town,—we don't mean any insult to our good Chicago friends, but that is true nevertheless of down town Chicago, and especially this loop district. Texas Guinan must have been born here for the motto is and always has been "never give a sucker a break." That is one reason Chicago is so successful in getting political conventions—the city will pay more for the sucker privilege than any other metropolis.

We have been here only a few hours and we have already been offered a sure thing at Washington Park this afternoon for a ten-spot. Also "genuine pre-war Scotch" at ONLY \$10 a fifth. It isn't because any Oregon hay seed can be detected on ye editor's coat lapel, (we can't see any at least) that's the way they treat all visitors from far-away in the Chicago loop, and have for 75 years at least.

Across the street at the Erlanger the Pulitzer prize play "Oklahoma!" is the big attraction. Don't see why they bother to keep a ticket-office open, the play has been sold out for a month except at the brokers, and hard to get decent seats from them. Oh well, it will come along as a movie pretty soon and maybe we can see it for a ten cent tax (Hey there Ay—No!)

Coming in at the Northwestern station reminded us of the old days,—we arrived exactly on time, 8:30 a.m., and the suburban trains packed to the guards were slowly winding in, every man visible at an open window in his shirt sleeves. And the poor gals, looked as though they would like to take more off than that. Imagine in dear old Medford dripping at half after eight in the morning!

Why anyone who doesn't have to insist upon living here,—or did we mention something of that sort once before?

Have seen no one from Oregon as yet but ran into a couple of newspaper friends, who are complaining about the humidity even though they came from where humidity was invented,—Washington, D. C.

They merely confirm what everyone else says,—it will be Dewey on the first ballot, the only contest will be over a foreign policy plank and the vice president.

This overwhelming popularity of the New York governor from Times Square to Hay Market Square in Medford, Oregon, has this political expert completely stumped. But there it is,—and here we are,—attending what promises to be the most uninteresting Republican convention since the first nomination of Taft. (We were at that Chicago gathering also but failed to get a press-seat.)

Shades of Woodrow Wilson! One of the newspaper boys claims the chief item in the G.O.P. foreign policy plank will be "We shall strive for open covenants openly arrived at!"

A San Francisco woman on the Overland remarked that her sister "somewhere in England" gets one dozen eggs a month for a family of six, and they cost 25 cents each. Our breakfast companion this morning who boarded the train at Waterloo, Iowa, claimed eggs are so plentiful there, slightly aged ones sell for five cents a CASE! We asked if he did not mean fifty cents but he stuck to the nickel a case, and maintained these eggs were eatable though slightly stale and were used usually for hog feed. Corn and egg fed hogs will be on the menu next no doubt.

As has often been stated, in these travelogues we merely report things from day to day as they come along and for what they are worth, seldom having time to check up on their accuracy. We knew the bottom of the U. S. egg market had pretty much fallen out but never imagined the situation here in the Midwest was as serious as that,—but maybe so,—that at least was "Brother Waterloo's" report.

The Chicago News now has a front page make-up almost exactly like the Chicago Tribune, cartoon and everything. Can't believe if Secretary of War Knox were alive he would stand for that.

Speaking of the Tribune it is coming around to Dewey too after reading the New York governor out of the party for favoring a post-war military alliance with England.

We still don't believe our grandson will ever see Tom Dewey's face on a three-cent stamp!—R.W.R.

Letter From Washington

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH

Member of Congress From Oregon

Washington, D. C., June 24.—(Special Correspondence)

The activities of congress ceased today for a period of several weeks so that members who wish to do so may attend both the Republican and Democratic national conventions. Both conventions are being held in Chicago this year. The Republican meeting will begin Monday. I am leaving for home today, but will stop off in Chicago and watch the operations of the Republican national convention.

Although I shall be away from Washington several weeks, my office here will be open, and any matters requiring attention here can be handled by my very competent office staff. Just address me in the usual way—House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

HEARING FOR HIGH IS POSTPONED TO FRIDAY

Continuance in the preliminary hearing of Robert N. High, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, until next Friday has been granted by Justice of the Peace W. P. Tucker. High, scheduled to appear last Friday, is at liberty on \$2,000 bonds furnished by his mother of Ashland and a local woman.

JUNGLE ACTORS SHY

Danville, Ill.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Osa Johnson, world-famous woman

explorer and widow of the late explorer, Martin Johnson, who has been in Hollywood, as well as most of the world's jungles, told a meeting here recently at which she was guest speaker: "The best actors come from the African jungle, not from Hollywood. Of course," she added, "the difficulty is getting the jungle actors in front of the camera."

California had 369 hospitals with 94,031 beds, 4,103 bassinets, and 883,590 patients admitted in 1943.

BOGART DAMAGE HEARING OPENS

The \$50,000 damage suit of Orville R. Bogart against E. W. Spalding and Ray M. Spalding doing business as the Sugar Pine Lumber company, opened in circuit court today with selection of a jury. The trial is scheduled to last two days.

Bogart, in his complaint charges negligence on the part of the defendants, as the result of which, in an accident March 18, 1943, he was struck by a hurtling limb, causing permanent injury to his right arm. The complaint further claims Bogart's earning power has been reduced. At the time of the accident, he was earning \$20 per day as a tree faller.

The plaintiffs are represented by Attorney George M. Roberts and the defendants by U. G. Ballantyne of Klamath Falls.

27 CASES LISTED IN HEALTH REPORT

But 27 cases of communicable disease are listed on the weekly report of Dr. A. Erin Merkel, director of the county health department, for the week ending June 24. Scarlet fever cases still continue to be reported, although gradually lessening from the epidemic proportions of winter and early spring.

Listed on the report are three cases of scarlet fever, two at Rogue River and one at Camp White; four cases of measles, one at Ashland, one in the Howard district and two in Gold Hill, and eight cases of recurrent malaria, all at Camp White.

Also listed were five cases of gonorrhea, one case of syphilis, two cases of tuberculosis, one of pneumonia and one of chicken-pox.

Reese Creek

Reese Creek, June 26.—Rev. C. E. Cox has been called as pastor for the coming year and will preach each Sunday morning. There will be a "sing-spersion" each Sunday at 8 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. John Collins from Butte Falls were dinner guests at Mr. and Mrs. Robertson's home on Father's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson returned home June 6 after spending a week-end in Portland with her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. Quick. Rev. and Mrs. Quick are here at present and Mrs. Quick is taking treatments from a local doctor.

Marlene Wilson is spending her vacation in Oakland, Calif., with her grandmother, Mrs. Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Stults of Glendale were here for a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stults. Delbert plans on being in the navy soon.

"Chuck" Brewer spent a few days' furlough with his parents here recently.

Mrs. Truman Collins and grandson, Rodney, celebrated their birthdays at Butte Falls at Mrs. John Collins', who served a lovely dinner for them June 10.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Lang are having a new house built. Homer Martin and Robert Humphrey have had wells drilled on their places recently.

Reese Creek Extension Unit will meet at Mrs. Collins' home June 27 at 10:30 a. m. Covered dish dinner will be served.

Reese Creek Sunday school will have their picnic June 2 at Butte Falls fish hatchery and Rev. Ritchie will speak in the afternoon.

WEATHER

Northern California—Cloudy on coast and over mountains today and tonight, with occasional drizzles on coast and showers in mountains; fair in interior; Tuesday fair except cloudy on coast; cooler in interior today.

Daily Weather Report

Medford and vicinity: Fair tonight and Tuesday but with scattered showers over the mountains. Little change in temperature.

Oregon: Fair tonight and Tuesday with scattered showers west of the Cascade and along the southern border. Little change in temperature.

Local Data

Temperature a year ago today:

Highest, 79; lowest, 47.

Total monthly precipitation, 1.51 inches. Excess for the month, .85 inch.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1943, 19.78 inches. Deficiency for the season, .30 inch.

Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, 38%; at 10 a. m. today, 77%.

Tomorrow

Sunrise 5:37 a. m., sunset 8:50 p. m.

Past 24 hours: High Low Prec.

Boise 85 69 —

Boston 83 60 .01

Chicago 83 60 .05

Denver 82 63 —

Eureka 70 53 —

Hayward 83 56 —

Los Angeles 74 55 —

Medford 84 54 —

New York 73 63 —

Omaha 100 — —

Phoenix 103 62 —

Portland 78 51 .01

Reno 86 60 —

Roseburg 78 50 —

Salt Lake 84 56 .02

San Francisco 70 54 —

Seattle 76 54 —

Spokane 77 56 —

Washington, D. C. 82 68 —

Yakima 83 58 —

Past and Present Commanders Chat



Pictured above are Brig. Gen. Thomas, retiring Post Commander of Camp White, and Col. John R. Young, new Post Commander, at an informal reception, buffet supper and dance held recently in honor of Gen. Thomas at the SCU Officers' Club. Besides Gen. Thomas, special guests included Col. and Mrs. Young, Col. and Mrs. Leroy P. Hartley, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Edwin F. Bullock and 1st Lt. and Mrs. Charles E. White. Col. Bullock and Lt. White left for new assignments last week. —(Cut Courtesy Camp White Grenade)

Warning To Employers

Babson Says Some Are Shortsighted

New York, June 26.—(Special Correspondence) During the past few weeks I have directed this column to various groups of people,—colored workers, white workers, union labor, parents and investors. Permit me this week to give certain employers some good advice. This especially applies to the older men. There are many young forward-looking employers, but the stage has been stolen by the "die-hards".

Installment Sales Control Unwanted

As a part of my education, I attend group meetings of various kinds,—church, social, scientific, labor and employers. All these groups,—with the exception of the latter,—have a definite constructive legislative program to make a better nation. We employers, however, present little constructive legislation. We have asked only for "lower taxes and to be let alone." I am sure this is a mistake.

Some economists recently discussed whether installment sales—which have temporarily been restricted under presidential orders during the war—should be regulated after peace comes. They claim that to stabilize employment, installment purchases should be encouraged during depressions but retarded during booms. This would be sound practice; but what do most employers say? They reply, "No! The government should let us alone to handle our own credits as we deem please."

Accident Compensation Plans Cold Shouldered

Labor has made an appeal for more extensive accident compensation laws through a government insurance company. The argument is that employers will hesitate to employ returning soldiers who may have any defect of eyesight, hearing, lameness or otherwise, believing that such persons are more liable to accidents. To encourage employers to employ such, labor leaders urge an extension of industrial insurance. Do most employers agree? No! They insist that the government should "keep hands off"; while their insurance friends yell "Communism". Is such an attitude by manufacturers and bankers wise?

Credit Men Suggest Inventory Regulation

Credit men have suggested that legislation be enacted whereby inventories would be regulated in some way. One reason for unemployment is because stocks of raw materials and merchandise at times become so large that manufacturers and merchants suddenly stop buying. "It men claim that normal inventories tend to keep employment normal." But here again, too many employers say, "No!" They demand "free enterprise", freedom to inflate or deflate and freedom to speculate or to hoard. Too many of us want freedom for ourselves without thinking of the other fellow's welfare.

Favor Taxation On Unused "Depreciation"

Accountants believe that some relation should exist between depreciation, replacements and corporation taxes. They say that during a depression employers continue to "write down" assets to depreciation to save taxes, but they do not

ers ask only for lower taxes and to be let alone!

Phoenix

Phoenix, June 26.—The annual pre-school and baby clinic under the Jackson County Health department sponsorship will be held Friday, June 30, between 1 p. m. and 5 p. m. at the Phoenix Presbyterian church. Dr. A. E. Merkel and Mrs. Horn will be in charge, and all mothers in the district are invited to bring their infants and children to this free clinic.

Word was received Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilcox that their son-in-law left Washington, D. C., June 24 for overseas service. Lt. and Mrs. D. M. Crooks have been in Columbus, Ga., for the past several weeks while the lieutenant took a special para-troopers course at Fort Benning, Georgia. Upon completion of the course they motored to Washington, D. C. where Lt. Crooks received his overseas orders. Mrs. Crooks will remain in Washington temporarily.

Mrs. Cornelia Barnes left Friday for Sweetwater, Texas, to visit her daughter, Mary Jean, who is stationed at Avenger Field, Texas with the Women's Army Ferry Service. Enroute back home Mrs. Barnes will visit her sister at San Jose, and her son Lt. Donald Barnes, at San Francisco.

Word has been received from Portland that the condition of Mrs. D. R. Sloan following a major operation in the northern city last Thursday, is satisfactory. Mr. and Mrs. Sloan left here Tuesday and Mr. Sloan will remain with his wife a week before returning here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stancliffe are vacationing for a week in Josephine county.

Miss Nanette Furry has been spending the past three weeks with her sister and family in Corvallis.

FIRST GARDEN

New Orleans —(U.P.)—Louisiana's first garden was made in 1700 on land bought for a knife and an ox, and was laid out as a church garden, according to Sarah Butler of Baton Rouge, La., one of the founders of the Louisiana Garden Club Federation. She said that Spanish priests were responsible for probably the first garden in the United States, built in Florida in the middle of the 17th century.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY (It was Tuesday) June 26, 1934

Truck drivers join Portland dock strike.

National Guardsmen on way home from Camp Clatsop.

President Roosevelt to speak to nation over air Thursday night.

Partly cloudy. High 70, low 49 degrees.

Grand jury, with Floyd Ross, Central Point, foreman, starts session.

General rains aid small fruits in valley.

Local merchants to hold series of "vacation sales."

Ruin of New Deal, aim of big business, says Rex G. Tugwell.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY June 26, 1924

(It was Thursday)

Oregon delegation at democratic convention fighting among themselves are still for MacAdoo and Straddling.

Highway traffic shows record increase over last year.

Total taxes to be collected in state this year total \$40,155,083.30.

Fair. High 89, low 49 degrees. Democrats to start balloting for presidential nominee today, as oratory and yelling die down.

Frank & King tent show draws scores nightly from rural areas.

Naval planes to stop here July 1.

Shady Cove

Shady Cove, June 26.—Shady Cove P.T.A. held a social evening at the school house June 21. A covered dish supper was provided by the women and games were enjoyed. Later in the evening songs were sung and coffee and sandwiches were served. The event was so enjoyable that it was voted to have another social evening in July. A committee was appointed to organize the next affair which included Mr. C. F. Meyers, Mrs. Sanford and Mrs. Littlefield.

The Canning Committee of the Shady Cove school will meet at the school house June 27 at 10:30 a. m. Mrs. Wilson Waite will be present to demonstrate the latest methods of canning. Please bring a sack lunch and be prepared to spend the day.

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