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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The Supreme Headquarters of the Allied Expeditionary forces announces their armies are near "Germany proper". They mean geographically, only.

The Florida senator on the oratorical loose on the Pacific Coast in behalf of the "perpetual president" notion, continues to perform yeoman services for the republican party. In his most recent speeches, he declares if Dewey (as he will be) is elected, Russia will delay entering war with Japan, and further states the defeat of Woodrow Wilson at the hands of the voters in 1918 caused the current war. It would be just as much sense to argue that not following the advice of Sen. Pepper would cause a salt shortage.

"OPA WILL PRESS SUITS ON RENTS"—(Hillside Spokane Spokesman-Review.)—Cruel, unusual and ineffective.

"AHI SWEET MYSTERY" (Montreal (Can.) Star)

"Will the middle-aged serviceman (he will recognize the description), who produced the safety pin and piece of string at the right moment and in the correct way for the dark lady in grey, near Peel and St. Catherine on Monday evening about ten o'clock, please write to Box 6951 Herald Office so that contact may be established and thanks properly offered. To be honest, am quite interested apart from the Pin and String."

House flies have started to feel the effects of the chill mornings. Several of the Older Girls report they have become sluggish, and can be swatted freely with the open hand.

Partisans charge the removal of most canned vegetables from the rationing list is due as predicted by them last spring, to the approach of election day. The word, the better grade of beefsteaks will also be available soon, is likewise not due to anybody running for office.

Democrats in various counties of the state are holding picnics, separate and apart from the one they have been holding in Washington, D. C., for 12 years.

HOW LIKE A LADY (Linn County (Mo.) News)

"So-called friends come by our office every few days and criticize us seriously and jokingly because they have seen our wife mowing the lawn at our home. To keep the record straight, we want it clearly understood that it is not our fault they have seen this unchivalrous spectacle. We have tried time and again, without results, to get her to do the mowing after dark."

People continue to visit the Hob Deuel woodshed to buy ice, and ask about the chances for a cord of fireplace wood.

Formation of 50,001 clubs in behalf of the candidacy of Gov. Dewey are underway in the state and county. No difficulty is anticipated enlisting a lone but tardy republican at the finish.

The Imperial and infernal Japanese government in the light of events executed a master stroke when they named one of their bombed islands in the Pacific Haha Jima.

"Mary Catherine —, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. —, of East Liberty, became the life of Jack F. — in a ceremony performed at 10:30 a. m. in the Hanover Presbyterian Church."—(Bellefontaine (Ohio) News.)—Facts and feelings.

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One Year Ago

One year ago today—September 8, 1943—marked the first real crack-up of the Axis. It was on this day twelve months ago that Italy surrendered unconditionally, following under-cover negotiations melodramatic enough to delight the most avid reader of pulp thrillers.

The conquest of Sicily had been completed. Allied armies were poised for the invasion of the Italian homeland. The surrender of the Badoglio government hit the Nazis with terrific impact. The effect was damaging militarily, disastrous politically.

SUBSEQUENT events have only speeded the disintegration of the Axis and the inevitable crushing of Germany. Allied planes have taken the skies from the luftwaffe; the Russians are smashing the wehrmacht back through the Balkans, and Patton's armored spearheads are hammering the "western wall" and vaulted Siegfried line. Buzzbombs and Herr Goebbels' other promised secret weapons will not put aside for long "der tag" when Germany will follow Italy in unconditional surrender.

WITH the perpetrators of Lublin taken care of, Allied military might will then polish-off the bombers of Pearl Harbor. It is entirely possible that another anniversary will see that job completed.—H.G.

On the Air Map

In a full page advertisement of United Air Lines, appearing currently in national magazines, Medford enjoys a conspicuous and strategic position on the map of the company's aerial routes. It is good advertising for this community, and clearly shows how well placed is the Medford airport for Pacific Coast air travel when the post-war aviation "boom" comes—as it certainly will with larger, swifter and safer planes and a public increasingly "air minded."

THIS community's foresightedness in starting this municipal airport nearly two decades ago will be more apparent as air travel on the coast grows. Recently, Rogue River valley choice fruit, flowers, garden produce and trout were flown from the Medford port by United Cargoliner for an "airborne perishables luncheon" at New York's Waldorf-Astoria. It was but a preview of events to come—a convincing and practical demonstration of the airplane's role in cargo as well as passenger transport.

IT is no military secret that Medford's airport has been greatly expanded and improved under wartime army operation. When this city again takes it over we will have larger and better facilities to accommodate private and commercial users. Dividends from Medford's airport investments in recent years will soon be paid.—H.G.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
September 8, 1934
(It was Saturday)

Ward liner "Moro Castle" aflame off New Jersey coast claims 200 lives in sea horror.

Liquor commission to regulate beer sales in cities.

Ex-President Hoover to speak in Portland for Community Chest, September 27.

Fair and moderate. High 82 low 45 degrees.

Elks to celebrate 25th anniversary September 23rd.

Turkey prices to be higher this fall growers hear.

Rum, Reds and New Deal lashed by Evangelist Billy Sunday.

Twenty Years Ago Today
September 8, 1924
(It was Monday)

Miss Ada Brewster arrives and takes over county home demonstration affairs.

William Hammett and John S. Orth on hunting trip to Umpqua Divide kill 400-pound bear.

Irrigation meeting in Sams Valley is exciting one.

War in China spreads to Manchuria, and drive on Peking starts.

Probable showers. High 93, low 48 degrees.

Ralph DePalma, Eddie Hearn and other famous auto racers to compete in fairground events next Sunday.

Heavy lightning storm starts forest fires near Diamond Lake.

MILES TO BERLIN
By United Press

The shortest distances to Berlin from advanced Allied lines:

Western Front—335 miles (from point in Netherlands. Gain of 53 miles in week.)

Southern France—463 miles (from point northeast of Besancon. Gain of 127 miles in week.)

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Italy—555 miles (from point near Rimini. Gain of 15 miles in week.)

Russia—328 miles (from point east of Warsaw. Unchanged in week.)

G. I. FRATERNIZING WITH HUNS TO BE BANNED BY ARMY

Paris, Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—The genius of American soldiers for fraternizing with everyone they meet is becoming a serious problem for authorities as the armies advance toward the hostile populations of Germany.

So far the fraternizing with civilians in countries where they have fought has been all to the good. Friendly populations have welcomed the Americans and the GI "ambassadors of good will" no doubt have helped improve relations between the nations. In Germany it will be a different matter.

When the Americans burst through the Siegfried line they will find an embittered, hostile population which has been bombed incessantly and which knows it has lost the war and must face another dismal period of postwar collapse.

No one will be waving flags, making the V-sign or begging cigarettes and candy—and it is going to be hard for the average, and inherently friendly, GI to understand.

Moreover, experienced students of Germany are convinced that the Nazi party long ago completed plans to go underground with the final shots of the war and that regardless of the official end of resistance there will be weeks and even months of sniping and sabotage. Lonely German roads probably will be unhealthy places for single vehicles and dark German streets may be unsafe for roaming GI's for a long time to come.

Once the allies enter Germany authorities probably will issue a blanket order forbidding fraternizing with civilians.

LOS ANGELES SIZZLES
Los Angeles, Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—The weather bureau discarded the niceties of speech to predict that today would be as "hot" as it was yesterday. "Warm" was discarded when the thermometers reached 103 degrees, the highest temperature since Sept. 27, 1943 when it was 104.

Madeira river in South America is 2,000 miles long.

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News Behind The News
By Paul Mallon

Washington, Sept. 7.—The restoration of common-sense teaching in the schools is proceeding so swiftly (and so silently) that the general public is not aware of it.



Paul Mallon

With the least possible advertising and a minimum acknowledgment of error nationally, the teaching trends of more than a decade are being widely revised. The false philosophies of progressive education which corrupted the youths and encouraged juvenile delinquency with laxity of discipline are being corrected, in the east, at least, where all these trends and swings originate.

MY column of May 10 set forth the ideas of a junior high school principal in Philadelphia, who wanted to teach romantic love to 15-year-old children in special classes on sex hygiene (the lady herself being a miss.) I do not know how she made out with her plan, disclosed in an article in the Philadelphia Teachers' association news letter of April, which said the teachers must lead the gradual emancipation of children from their parents and become "mother substitutes."

BUT Washington school authorities have just announced they are dropping their class in sexual education entirely. Although it never went as far as romantic love and ran only three weeks of the year, it was unanimously conceded a complete failure. "The boys and girls either laughed or were scared to death," says a wise surgeon and physician member of the board of education, Dr. James A. Gannon.

APPARENTLY Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Richmond are taking similar action. Only New York of the five seaboard cities checked by Dr. Gannon will stick to sex education this fall. They had the same experience as Washington, he says: "Teachers as a rule are not temperamentally fitted or competent to give sex instructions. Our experimental session became a circus for the students and an impossible situation for the teachers. You might think physician teachers would be satisfactory, but they are not, because they talk over the heads of children."

"We will dispense with the sex classes which were a part of the physical instruction course and hereafter teachers will merely answer questions as they arise, and furnish in the regular courses, such as biology, such moderate information as is constructive, non-controversial and helpful."

These are the views expressed in this column becoming prevailing and more popular (the idea that human thought is far from perfection on the sex subject, that no one is competent to teach sex, which is such a highly personal and individual problem. Not even psychiatrists have yet accepted an agreed course and no two members of any board of education have precisely the same attitude toward sex.)

BUT these views were not popular then. In Boston they were especially criticized. A professor of human relations in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology wrote me that frank sex instruction had reduced stealing in Wisconsin and said: "Sex is being taught in the schools with great success." He was so obviously wrong as to make a reply unwarranted. If you could cure stealing with sex instruction, the education should not be limited to 15-year-olds.

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The truth is a case history of the sex lives of these progressive educators would probably show them not only incompetent to teach others but even to handle their own adulthood without divorce or other extreme difficulties, which would make them about average.

ONE physician tells me 90 per cent of his adult cases are founded in similar facts of life. They had better first reach perfection themselves—or at least agree on a common doctrine—before undertaking to impose their ideas on others.

It seems Boston is thinking taking hold, and acting, and not in the way of the radicals. On August 9 the business manager for the Boston school committee said discipline in the schools there was "terrible," demanding correction to cure laxities. August 10 headlines in Boston papers told of a teacher who hired a large boy in her class at 10 cents a day to maintain order because she could not. August 11: "Teachers are afraid to tell the truth against the evil system, fear to lose their jobs; blame superintendents."

ALL this developed from investigation of the causes of juvenile delinquency, originally traced by this column to laxity of discipline in schools, home and church.

The progressive revolution in education, treating children as "poor dears" to be coddled against using their brains for freedom of expression, against restraint and subjecting them only to pleasant sightseeing education, weekly draws nearer its close.

FULLBRIGHT FOR "TRUTHFUL NEWS"

Washington, Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—Rep. J. William Fulbright, D., Ark., calling for "unhindered flow of truthful news throughout the world" introduced a joint resolution today which would put congress on record as favoring international agreements guaranteeing press freedom.

Fulbright said in a statement that he believed "we should pledge ourselves anew to the preservation of the basic principles of free speech and free press as guaranteed by the constitution and without which our form of government and way of life cannot long endure."

VOTERS CAUSE OF WAR SAYS PEPPER

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 8.—(U.P.)—American voters planted the seeds of World War II six days after the armistice ended the last war.

That was the charge hurled by Sen. Claude Pepper, D., Fla., in a breakfast speech before a group of Pierce county democrats in Tacoma today. "By repudiating Wilson and the democratic party," the Florida statesman said, "the American people unwittingly barred the United States from the League of Nations and consequently emasculated the international body's power to prevent aggression and war."

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POST TOASTIES 2 giant pkgs. 25c
BISKIT MIX Pkg. 29c
SHREDDIES ... 2 pkgs. 23c
RAISIN BRAN, 2 pkgs. 19c
GRAPENUTS .. 2 pkgs. 29c

PARD DOG FOOD 3 Pkgs. 25c

MATCHES 6 - Box Carton 19c

PUREX LAUNDRY BLEACH Half Gallon 23c

FLOOR WAX Full Quart 59c

CRISCO 3-lb. Jar 63c
Camay Soap, 6 bars 35c

IVORY SOAP GIANT BAR 3 for 25c
KERR MASON JARS Quarts—Dozen 75c
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MASON JAR RUBBERS 3 doz. 10c
CLOTH BAG SUGAR 10 lbs. 54c

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