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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Winter has had its first fling
in the high Cascades, without
catching any amateur mountaineer
from the metropolis on the
wrong side of Mr. Hood.

The fall fashions of the fair sex
are now rampant and askew on
their curly-cued gossamers. They
make the wearer look ten times
better, or five times worse.

Hollywood, noted for its giddi-
ness, heard Secretary of Interior
Ickes speak at a \$50 per plate
dinner to raise New Deal cam-
paign funds. The next president
has assured the nation Secy.
Ickes will be the first current
cabinet officer to get the bum's
rush, and it should be worth \$50
of any film magnate's money,
for exclusive movie rights to the
event.

CIVIC GUMPTION FLARES

(Mountain Messenger)

"While Forest's population
is about 16 persons, she still
manages to keep her street
lights. While coming through
Forest one night last week, a
traveler noted how bright the
town looked. Forest does not
intend to give up while wait-
ing for the war to end and re-
turn to normalcy."

The only Friday the 13th of
this year comes next Friday.
Next year there will be two of
them—one in April, one in July.

Royal and William Brown of
the Eagle Point Browns towed
yets. They have been pulling for
the St. Louis Browns in the
World Series.

T. Tannehill Walker's brother
Bob underwent his first haircut
last week, the feat being accom-
plished by his Grandpaw, his
Grandma, his Maw, two girl
cousins, and the aforementioned
J. Tannehill. The numerical
superiority of the attackers
proved too much for Robert.

Stockmen fear there will not
be enough hay ere January for
the cows, let alone the rest of us.

YOUTH ON TOES!

(Palo Alto Times)

"A student in the Burlin-
game high school reports the
presence of a sign in the school
hall reading 'Counselors Of-
fice,' with no apostrophe de-
noting the possessive case.
"It really doesn't matter so
much to me," remarks the stu-
dent, "except that I've had my
mark on a test taken down one
whole grade for making the
same mistake."

Now fog is added to the
hazards of auto driving. Like
haste, hugs, hoots and not turn-
ing when the road does, it causes
many accidents.

A copy of the Karachi, India,
Gazette arrives from H. Flew-
her, the demon baker. The Ma-
jor can drink Cocogold, and book
up for the flicks and see "Clau-
dia". In an editorial on the India
situation, there is the observa-
tion: "The sparrow is sorry for
the peacock, for the weight of its
tail."

A Portland high school boy
will compete with eight girls for
the state 4-H title in preparing,
cooking and serving a meal. As
a special honor, the girl who
finishes second can hold him
wash the dishes.

Sunday hunters in the hills
returned home as tired as the
New Deal administration high
men are reported to be.

Citizens of Berlin, Ore., pro-
test the change of its name to
Diatoma, though they do not
think much of either. They could
make a ladylike compromise,
and say Berlinnye.

"Our help are all tired—so un-
less you need anything real bad,
do not come this week"—Ho-
hum! Item reported displayed in
a Chicago store window.

New York State's first hatch-
ery was built in 1870 at Cale-
donia.

Wendell Willkie

The unexpected death of Wendell Willkie is a
terrible loss, particularly at the present time.
For never before has the country needed as it
needs now,—and will need more and more as time
goes on,—fearless, patriotic and absolutely INDE-
PENDENT leadership.

WENDELL Willkie was this paper's choice at
Philadelphia four years ago. He was our choice
for the Republican nomination this year.

And for one outstanding reason.
He was able, he was intelligent, he was sound, he
was courageous and energetic; but more important
than anything else, he was the one man in American
public life, who at all times and in all places, could
be depended upon to put principle above politics.

THAT was Wendell Willkie's great strength, and
the quality that in our judgment placed him
above all his presidential competitors, regardless of
party.

Born a Democrat and for many years prominent in
the party, yet when Roosevelt and the New Deal came
in, and he became convinced that the Roosevelt do-
mestic policies were not only economically unsound,
but if persisted in would destroy what he believed to
be the true American system; he not only changed
parties, but by one of the strangest and most dra-
matic twists of fate in all our political history, be-
came the new party's presidential candidate.

Defeated in the election, he ran again four years
later, for the nomination in the Republican primar-
ies, but convinced by the results in Wisconsin that
the Republican rank and file did not want him, he
retired from the contest and returned to private life.

TREMENDOUS pressure was then brought upon
him to throw his support either to the Republican
nominee Governor Dewey, or to President Roosevelt,
—his intimate friends in both parties camping on his
trail at one period, almost day and night.

But up to his death Mr. Willkie, publicly at least,
endorsed neither candidate. Whom he would have
endorsed had he lived will probably never be known.

BUT this much is certain: Wendell Willkie's en-
dorsement, had it been given, would have been
based upon one consideration and only one,—what
he believed to be best for his country, regardless of
all personal or political considerations.

Yes, while no man was more sincerely devoted to
his political principles and ideals, no man had less
political savoir faire, less ability to get along with
others, in the give and take of practical politics.

IN other words Wendell Willkie great as he was,—
and he is one of the few men in American public
life genuinely deserving the title of greatness,—suf-
fered as so many strong men do from the defects of
his virtues. Had he not been quite so UNCOMPROM-
ISINGLY honest, so brutally forthright, so high
above anything partisan or mean or petty; he would in
all likelihood have been more politically adroit, more
tactful in both personal and public relationships,
and,—sad but true,—had he lived, of greater service
to his party and his country.

Democrats Must Be Scared

Yes, win, lose or draw, this much is certain: the
Democrats are scared. Were this not the case, they
would have hardly dispatched "Honest Harold"
Ickes out to Darkest Hollywood to try to round up
M-G-M for F.D.R.

The movies for Franklin and Harold were taken
for granted four, eight and twelve years ago.

AND even more certain they would not have in-
structed Harold to return to his wise-cracking
and mud-slinging, had the Democratic powers-that-
be not felt the situation was becoming desperate.

For such tactics with a man like Dewey leading
the opposition may well prove a boomerang.

AND what an absurdity really,—the sort of malici-
ous and irrelevant twaddle that "Donald Duck"
handed out last night at the Hollywood bowl!

One might think this wasn't a contest between
President Roosevelt and the Democratic party on
one side and Governor Dewey and the Republican
party on the other at all. They would suppose it
some strange feud between the "Commander-in-
Chief" and such inconspicuous and unpopular of his
opponents as Herbert Hoover, Westbrook Pegler,
Gerald K. Smith, "Ham" Fish, Colonel McCormick
of the Chicago Tribune, and others.

Yes pretty scared and pretty bankrupt the New
Dealers must be, to sick Harold on straw men like
these, and leave the real issues of this campaign
entirely alone.

MOREOVER two of these scapegoats—Smith and
Fish—Governor Dewey has publicly repudiated,
and the others have had no more connection with him,
or his campaign, than the Sultan of Sulu.

And speaking of political black sheep, how about
the other side of the picture? How about Boss Kelly,
the Boss Hagues, the Boss Pendergasts, the Boss Cur-
leys and all the other Big City bosses and racketeers
who are supporting Roosevelt and Truman?

And there is this important distinction Harold,—
not ONE of these undesirables in the Democratic
party, have been repudiated, directly or indirectly,
by President Roosevelt; and each one is working
night and day, to return by fair means or foul,
Franklin Delano Roosevelt to the White House for
four more years!

We have a pious idea Governor Dewey will bring
out this fact in sharp relief before the campaign is
over.

News Behind

The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, Oct. 9 — There
died with Al Smith a great po-
litical legend, a great false
legend which
now may never
be dispelled.



Paul Mallon

Politics is a funny busi-
ness! It etches
deep characters
for public men,
nearly all of which
are fictitious.
Instead of ac-
curate pic-
tures, these
popular con-
ceptions of leaders are cartoons.
Instead of character studies,
they become caricatures. These
become so deeply burned into
public thought that they live on
into permanent history, until
perhaps some debunker comes
along years or ages hence to re-
establish past-personages in
their true human elements.

There was Hoover. He was
superman when elected. The
general impression at the time
(1928) was that Mr. Hoover had
more superior qualifications
than any man who ever had
run in politics. But since 1932,
he has been the world depres-
sion. The common understand-
ing of Al Smith has been as
overdrawn and distorted as any
of the conceptions which make
good men inferior and average
men great.

It leaves him in his grave a
rather uncouth east side New
Yorker, unaware even of social
amenities, a tough-talking street
man who did not know how to
pronounce radio but called it
"rad-dio." That stigma of politics
he lacked the strength to
destroy in his later years. As a
matter of fact, he was not only
far above average intelligence,
but a brilliant and superior gov-
ernor who could handle intricate
problems of finance in the
budgets or taxation or legal
legislation as expertly or better
than anyone who has held that
office before or since. This is
attested by the fact he was elected
four times, generally in the
face of Republican landslides.

Al Smith affected what he
thought was the language of the
common people. It was the
tongue of the common people of
New York city and no more
important in measuring intelli-
gence than a southern accent
measures the intelligence of the
south. With it and a gaily-wav-
ing brown derby he won con-
tinuously among the people who
knew his real inner quality, but
the country did not understand
either his language or his derby.
Their hearts did not warm to
Smith as the voters of all classes
and creeds in New York had
done. His tactics indelibly stamp-
ed him to them as someone lack-
ing tact. It was the tragedy of
his career from which he fell
into an epilogue of bitterness.

HOW completely popular illu-
sions were turned on him is
illustrated by a cartoon in the
New Yorker in the 1928 cam-
paign. It showed rich dowagers
with loggnettes sitting around a
Long Island estate, saying:
"Imagine the Smiths in the
White House!"

This was intended to sear
with irony the stupidity of high
society, but the country strange-
ly came to accept the notion in
reverse. Politics is a funny busi-
ness. Smith and his associates
alone repealed the false corrup-
tive idea of prohibition. Not
even Bryan moved so many peo-
ple so much in speeches on the
stump. No one ever assailed his
honesty or integrity. As a prod-
uct of Tammany machine, he
reformed it instead of letting it
run him in the corrupt old boss
style.

I did not know him well per-
sonally, but I knew him well
publicly as a reporter traveling
with and covering him for many
years and I knew the injustice
of the abuse heaped upon him.
I knew him as a superior and
a good man. The lesson of his
life and death for the people is
that they should look beneath
the surface of political charac-
ter-concealings in making their
estimates of public men. They
should strive to cut through the
artifices of whitewash and crim-
son, not only to do greater jus-
tice to their leaders, but to do
greater justice to themselves in
their government.

BIRTHS

ADAMCYK—To Mr. and Mrs.
John, 762 S. Holly St., October
7, 1944, girl, 8½ lbs., at Sacred
Heart hospital.

ALANSKY—To Mr. and Mrs.
Anthony V., 319 S. Newtown,
October 7, 1944, boy, 7 lbs., at
Sacred Heart hospital.

SINK JAP STEAMER

Chungking, Oct. 9.—U.S.—
Warhawk and Mustang fighters
of the 14th air force, operating
in bad weather, sank a large
river steamer and damaged an-
other near Kluikang during the
week-end, Gen. Joseph W. Stil-
well announced today.

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Turnabout for Victims Nazi Oppression



Dutch civilians who watched with fright some time ago when German soldiers goosestepped
down their streets now laugh and mimic this group of Nazi prisoners as they marched past under
watchful eye of American guards in town of Limbricht. Signal Corps radio-telephone.

SON IS PROUD OF
DAD'S EXPLOIT IN
DYNAMITING JAPS

Seven-year-old Freddie Wil-
liams is a very proud little fel-
low today, and took with him
to school a copy of the Sunday
Mail Tribune with a story about
his father, Pfc. Charles A. Wil-
liams of the marine corps. The
story related how Pfc. Williams,
demolition expert for the ma-
rine corps, worked out a plan
to seal off four entrances to an
elaborate Japanese cave near
the northern tip of Guam, using
12,000 pounds of TNT.

Freddie's father has been in
the Pacific with the marine
corps for many months and has
been in seven major battles, in-
cluding the battle of Bougain-
ville. His plan of sealing off the
cave climaxed a two-day battle
to clear the caves, which had
been reinforced concrete en-
trances, of Japanese putting up a last-ditch
resistance on Guam and the
marine report stated that some
40 Japs were killed during the
battle.

Pfc. Williams, expert in the
use of explosives before going
into the marine corps, worked
on construction jobs in the coun-
try before the war. He was reg-
istered with the selective service
board of Auburn, Calif., and
enlisted through the San Fran-
cisco marine headquarters,
friends here state. Pfc. Williams
gives as his home address that
of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crocker,
route 4, parents of his divorced
wife, now Mrs. Don Mentzer of
302 Maple street. Freddie, a pu-
pil at Lincoln school, and his
sister, Sonia, 4, live with their
mother.

FOOCHOW CAPTURE
CLAIMED BY JAPS

By United Press

Axial broadcasts claimed today
that Japanese troops had com-
pletely occupied Foochow, last
Chinese port on the east coast,
and had smashed more than half
of China's central army corps in
six months of fighting on the
continent.

A German Transocean news
agency dispatch from Tokyo said
Japanese troops, who conquered
Foochow after bitter fighting,
also captured five islands in
Foochow bay.

A Tokyo radio broadcast,
heard by United Press in San
Francisco, also claimed that only
one American airbase remained
operative in eastern and south-
eastern China, and added:
"Thus the Americans' plans to
give Nimitz air support when
he arrived from the sea has been
completely frustrated and Nimitz
will have to do his own fight-
ing."

PILOT PRIZES NECKTIE

Old Orchard, Me. (U.P.)—Lt.
Robert York of the Army Air
Forces likes to tell how he kept
his plane flying with his necktie,
when shot down by an enemy
fighter. When his plane went
into a tailspin, York wrapped
his necktie around a shattered
instrument panel, pulled out of
the spin behind a Stuka and
promptly let go with his mach-
ine guns.

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OBITUARY

WILLIAM WELCH

William Welch, age 85, passed
away unexpectedly Sunday in a
local hotel where he had made
his home for many years.
Arrangements are in care of
the Conger-Morris chapel await-
ing the arrival of relatives from
Sweet Home, Oregon.

DONALD MORRIS

Private services for Donald
Morris, who was accidentally
drowned while fishing back of
the Sherwood Auto Court, near
Gold Hill, Saturday evening,
will be held in the Conger-Morris
chapel Wednesday afternoon
with the Rev. Louis C. Kirby of-
ficiating. Interment will be in
Siskiyou Memorial Park.

He is survived by his parents,
of Gold Hill, a brother at home,
LaVerne Morris and his grand-
parents, Mrs. Anna Applegate
and Frank E. Applegate, Nation-
al City, Calif.

THOMAS H. FREDENBURG

Services for Thomas H. Fre-
denburg, who passed away in
Gold Hill Friday, will be held
in the Conger-Morris chapel at
10 a.m. Tuesday with the Rev.
W. A. Dawes officiating. Inter-
ment will be in Gold Hill cem-
tery.

Mr. Fredenburg was born in
Jefferson, Oregon, Dec. 17, 1856,
moving to Gold Hill in 1874. All
of his life was spent there ex-
cept from 1906 until 1922. Dur-
ing these years he helped settle
the town of Malin, Oregon. In
1900 he was united in marriage
to Emma McKee, who preceded
him in death.

He is survived by a daughter,
Mrs. Lulu Case and a grandson,
in Dunnigan, Calif.; seven sisters
and four brothers.

SYLVESTER HARDIN

Services for Sylvester Hardin,
Rogue River, who passed away
in a local hospital Friday, will
be held in the Conger-Morris
chapel at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday with
the Rev. D. D. Randall officiat-
ing. Interment will be in Siski-
you Memorial Park.

He was born in Rutherfordton,
North Carolina, April 13,
1876. For the past ten years he
had made his home at Rogue
River. He is survived by three
sons, Rollie Hardin, Tygh Val-
ley, Oregon; Cecil Hardin, U. S.
army; Ira Hardin, Rogue River;
two daughters, Mrs. L. A. Crow-
ley, N. Hollywood, Calif.; Mrs.
C. E. Tyre, Rogue River; five
grandchildren; two brothers,
Weldon Hardin, Idaho; John
Hardin, Klamath Falls; and the
following sisters, Mrs. E. Sink
and Mrs. Alice Taylor, Oswego,
Ore.; Mrs. Ida Ginn, The Dalles;
and Mrs. Minnie Rich, Yakima.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Oct. 9.—(U.P.)—Live-
stock: Cattle 2100, total 2130; calves
and heifers 200, market active,
strong to 25¢ higher, medium to good,
hay fed steers \$13.00-14.50, common to
medium steers \$12.00-12.50, com-
mon to medium heifers \$8.50-9.50,
11.50; few steers largely \$10-12.50;
bulls, \$8.50-9.50; good to choice veal-
ers \$13-14; one sizeable lot range veal-
ers \$14.50.

Hogs 2000, total 2000, market active,
steady; good to choice 160-240 lbs.
\$13.75; 241-270 lbs. \$15; heavier and
lighter weight \$14-14.50; good sows
\$13-14.75; choice feeder pigs \$13.50-14.
Sheep 2000, total 2000, market ac-
tive, steady; good to choice woolled
lambs \$11.50; few to \$11.75; good
shorn lambs \$10.25; yearlings \$9; good
ewes \$8-9.25.

South San Francisco, Oct. 9.—(U.P.)
—(U.S.A.)—Cattle, 700. Active, fully
steers early; five cars medium grass
steers offered. Few loads medium to
good feeder heifers \$11-11.75, nume-
ous loads common to good range cows
\$9.50-11, load young to good \$11.25.
Bulk canners and cutters \$9-9.50. Com-
mon to calves \$8-10.
Calves 150. Fully steady; around
three loads good to choice 225-350-lb.
slaughter calves \$13-14, light trim
hogs, 300. Steady. Few loads good
and choice 200-240-lb. harrons and

Flight o' Time

Medford and Jackson Co. His-
tory from the files of the Mail
Tribune 10, 20, and 34 years
ago.

10 YEARS AGO TODAY

October 9, 1934
(It Was Tuesday)

St. Louis wins seventh game
of World Series 11 to 0 over
Detroit behind shutout pitching
of Dizzy Dean. Fans roused by
Medwick break into riot, and
flood field in third inning.

King Alexander of Yugoslavia
and French foreign minister
assassinated at Marseilles. One
of the assassins is killed, and
the other wounded.

Jackson county relief to cost
\$72,300 the coming year, budget
committee reports.

Col. Lindbergh recognized
Bruno Hauptmann's during ex-
change of ransom money for
kidnaped grand jury is told.

Son is born to Mr. and Mrs.
Moore Hamilton.

Fair. High 80, low 43 degrees.

Fall flower display at Hotel
Medford tonight.

Medford High football squad,
led by Leo Ghelardi shows
promise, in defeating tricky
Roseburg team 35 to 0.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY

October 9, 1914
(It Was Thursday)

Washington defeats New York
Giants 2 to 1 to even the World
Series at three each.

Partly cloudy. High 66, low
42, degrees. Precip. .10 of an
inch.

Prosperity of nation awaits
election of Coolidge, Espee pre-
sident declares.

Bert Harr of the upper Appie-
gate attends to business in city.

Chamber of Commerce starts
campaign to collect back dues
from members.

Hunters warned not to shoot
Chinese pheasants before open-
ing of season next week. Several
suspected.

Scores killed when typhoon

hits Philippines.

34 YEARS AGO TODAY

October 9, 1910
(It Was Sunday)

Jay Bowerman, Republican
candidate for governor to at-
tend dedication of Elks building
at Ashland.

John F. Stevens, Hill Line of-
ficial inspects P&E, and says
line will be built over Cascades
as soon as money available.

Realtors a-jitter over selection
of site for federal building here.

Scarlet Fever in
Fall Reappearance

Scarlet fever, of mild epi-
demic proportions in the coun-
try for most of last winter and
spring, was reported again last
week, the one case being in Med-
ford. No cases had shown on
the weekly report of the county
health officer, Dr. A. Erin Mer-
kel for the past several weeks.
Only other diseases listed on
the weekly report were two
cases of recurrent malaria at
Camp White.

Following a recent raid on
London, rescue workers dug
out a woman from the wreck
of her home. She was able to
walk, and her first thought was
of her kitchen. She found that
it had escaped fairly lightly, so
she immediately set to and
made tea for her rescuers.

HEN
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Now —

\$1.49

This is a four-foot painted
feeder with stand and
perch—stand bolted to
feeder.

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