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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

Indian summer prevailed all week. Every day was regarded as too good to give back to the Indians.

The first pumpkins of the season, suffering from obesity, have showed up in gruberterias, and are in demand for pies and Hallowe'en capers.

Wildcats, without strikes attached, are reported plentiful in the hills, but every body is too busy to slay them for the bounty.

Most of the seniors from Mexico who have been here picking pears have vanished.

The G. Cleveland Corum twin boys will be four years old the last day of this month, and never heard of any president but Roosevelt.

Today in France, the Free French will sell the chateau and chateaux of P. Laval, the French "Quisling." Calling Laval a "Quisling" is giving V. Quisling of Norway the worst of it.

The Japanese radio reports claiming victories over the Yank navy in the Far Pacific turned out to be "moonshine," and, from the wildness of their claims, it appeared the broadcasters had been drinking it. Thursday, Tokyo soberly announced the Philippines had been invaded.

The Dick Phair boy Dick showed up Fri. with a penguin he had cut from a shoe box at kindergarten. It looked like a penguin. Usually when a small boy whacks out a penguin, the results look like all the other birds, but the penguin.

E. Olsen, of the navy, is home from the North on furlough. He is the bouncing Paw of a proud boy.

The Grey Mask was victorious again at the Thursday night mayhem in the Armory, to the great disgust of all present. No gladiator as yet has been able to take off his mask and put it on the referee.

Leaf raking is the order of the day in the residential areas. It is sponsored by the Older Girls instead of Uncle Sam.

Wallace (Yay-Big) Dinkens of Prospect towed in mid-week, also Tracy Boothby of the same area.

The straw votes of the nation indicate a trend for Gov. Dewey. New Deal speeches to the contrary notwithstanding, they also indicate the Fourth Term candidate is running against Gov. Dewey—not Herbert Hoover.

Fletcher Fish of Phoenix and Hale Wheeler proudly compared snapshots of their boys recently. The camera reveals the little rascals have discovered their big toes and are trying to yank same off.

The Black Tornado scrunched the powerful (at home) Pelicans Fri. eve. after a week's rest that did them no good. Next Fri. they play the powerful Cavemen here. The powerful (at home) Pelicans had previously beaten the powerful Salem team.

Police report woodpiles are being robbed in the stillness of the night. The pilferers don't care if it is not split, as their mates will do that.

The Les Taylor boy Bob of Phoenix no longer has arguments with his Grandpaw. They are in perfect accord and get along like the President and Premier Churchill of Britain.

Andrew Jackson Simps, the veteran prospector, is back from a trip up Salt Creek, and saw neither tracks or hide of candidates.

A Junior CoFC was formed here the first of the week. When they get properly organized they plan a Prom.

F.D.R. and Boss Kelly

In answer to repeated S.O.S. pleas from Mayor Edward J. Kelly of Chicago, who fears a Republican victory, President Roosevelt has agreed to speak in that city on, or before, October 28th.

Some good people, of a rather gullible type, have refused to regard the alleged political alliance between the New Dealers, and the underworld gangsters of the large cities in this country, as either a fact, or a real menace.

Here is proof of the first. If the alliance did NOT exist, President Roosevelt would hardly accept Boss Kelly's invitation, when he has refused to accept so many others, on the ground that urgent war duties of his office would not permit.

THE plain truth is that in every national election since he became President, Franklin Delano Roosevelt has taken full advantage of the corrupt big city Democratic machines, to gain votes and insure his re-election.

No political observer of any consequence, Democratic or Republican, would deny this fact.

Nor would any such authority deny that such an alliance is a serious menace to good government in this country.

In fact here is a PERFECT example of why this is true.

President Roosevelt with all his prestige, personal popularity and tremendous political power, speaks in Chicago under the auspices of Boss Kelly, and whether the President publicly endorses the Kelly machine or doesn't, his mere appearance under such auspices, will further strengthen and entrench that corrupt machine not only in Chicago and Cook County, but throughout the state.

Say what you will, or think as you will, about the pure crusading quality of the Democratic administration at Washington, here is this undeniable fact:

Every year it continues in power, the strength and destructive force of political machine corruption in this country, is EXTENDED and INCREASED!

Vote for Cordon, Morse and Ellsworth

In all seriousness and regardless of politics, it would be a calamity if any candidate on the Republican congressional ticket for this section of the state this year should be defeated.

For never before in the history of Southern Oregon has such a strong, effective delegation, in both the Upper and Lower Houses of the Congress been presented.

"Never" covers a lot of territory but that is the literal truth.

TWO of them have already served in the Senate and House and made excellent records, the third has never before held public office, but in the considered judgment of this department, will, if elected, make one of the most able and distinguished U. S. Senators the state of Oregon has ever had.

WE grant the national party issues should not be ignored. But after all when one gets down to brass-tacks, what is more important to the welfare of this section of the state, and the people in it, the kind of delegation we have in Washington, in the direction of getting results,—getting what we need and want,—or the precise attitude that may or may not exist in the future regarding another League of Nations, or whether Italy should be a democracy or a dictatorship of the proletariat.

Needless to add this ticket we so strongly endorse is composed of Guy Cordon, present incumbent, for the short term in the U. S. Senate; Wayne Morse for the long term; and Harris Ellsworth of Roseburg for re-election in the House.

WHATEVER else you do Mr. and Mrs. Voter,—and we are speaking to Democrats as well as Republicans,—mark your ballot for CORDON, MORSE AND ELLSWORTH thus giving Southern Oregon the sort of strong, effective, cooperative representation in Washington it has never had before, and if the opportunity should be muffed this time, probably will never have an opportunity to secure again!

This is "IT" for the 96th.

Medford and Jackson County have never been far from the war with some of our boys fighting and dying on practically every battle front.

But with the 96th under General Bradley now heading the invasion of the Philippines, it surely does strike home.

For the 96th came to Camp White directly after the Bend maneuvers, and trained here for several months before going to San Luis Obispo for final instruction in amphibious warfare.

And now they are in the thick of it, "Smiling Jim" Bradley and all the rest of them!

General Bradley impressed everyone here with his robust, two-fisted, aggressive fighting qualities. There is no doubt that he and the 96th will give a fine account of themselves,—never looking back until the job before them has been done.

There are few families in Southern Oregon who do not number one or more close friends in this division. The entire community wishes them God-speed, "good hunting" and as far as the Fates will allow, a safe and prompt return!

NAMES DON'T COUNT
Aktion, O. (U.P.)—A Wac re-creating team in Aktion is known as "Wild and Savage." But PFC.

Judy Wilde and Cpl. Carol Savage belie their names as they work side by side trying to induce women to join the Wacs.

WALLACE, TRUMAN SEE BLUE TIMES UNDER G.O.P. RULE

Minneapolis, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Vice-President Henry A. Wallace, making his major mid-west address, said tonight that President Roosevelt was the "doorway of opportunity to the farmer and worker," while his opponent was "the doorway of opportunity merely for Wall Street."

"The vote on November 7 will show how many people are with Wall Street rather than with the farmer and the worker," Wallace said.

"The republican party, nationally speaking, had no interest then and has no interest now in farmers except from the standpoint of votes and as a source of cheap raw materials," he said. "I do not say that farm prices this time will fall as fast as in 1920 should Dewey be elected, but I do predict that under a republican administration the net farm income will be cut in half within a few years."

Butte, Mont., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Sen. Harry S. Truman, preparing to move from the west into republican strongholds in the central states, said today that the voters could "not afford to take a chance on a congress made up of the Nyes and the Tafts."

Continuing to emphasize his argument that the nation could not take a chance on new leadership, Truman spoke at a luncheon meeting sponsored by the Silver Bow county democratic organization. He planned to leave tonight for Minneapolis after visiting a nearby copper mine.

Calling for the reelection of President Roosevelt and a democratic congress, the vice presidential nominee told the luncheon audience:

"You can't take a chance on a man with no experience in conducting the war, a man with no military experience of his own, a man who has never made a specific statement on what he intends to do.

"You can't take a chance on congress made up of the Nyes and the Tafts. Many of such are not interested in the welfare of the country as a whole, they are only interested in their own ends."

JUNIORS SCORE FIRST VICTORY

Medford Junior high football team won the first game of their season yesterday afternoon when they stopped the Grants Pass Freshmen 14 to 7 on the Grants Pass field.

Grants Pass crossed the goal line in the first half to enjoy a 7-0 bulge at halftime. Medford's juniors came back from the rest period determined to make a showing and took the ball to the Fresh 20 on a series of line bucks. Here Gaines fired a pass to Britton to score.

Medford kicked off and held the Fresh for downs. Using a series of line smashes, the juniors advanced the ball to scoring territory from where Jennings cracked the center of the Fresh line for the second touchdown.

As the game ended, Medford had the ball on the Fresh 10-yard line.

SAILORS WALLOP BERKELEY 19 TO 2

Memorial Stadium, Berkeley, Cal., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—University of California met more than its match here this afternoon as a great Fleet-City blue jacket eleven, powered by a pair of former all-Americans, handed the Bears their first defeat of the season, 19-2, before 20,000 fans.

Outweighed more than 17 pounds per man, the Bears couldn't do a thing with the Bluejacket line which finished the day by allowing California backs a minus 38 yards on the scrimmage side of the ledger.

PHOENIX WASP IS INJURED IN CRASH

Miss Mary Jean Barnes, who recently graduated from trainings with the WASP, is a patient in a hospital at Hammer Field, Fresno, Calif., following a plane crash last Sunday. According to information received by Mrs. W. D. Barnes, Phoenix, Miss Barnes' mother, her daughter was not piloting the plane but was a passenger. The accident took place at Gardner Field, near Taft.

Funeral Pyre for Jap Ship



This towering cloud of smoke off Formosa shore entirely conceals Japanese ship struck by plane from one of fast carriers of Admiral Nimitz' Pacific Fleet which struck Japan's great stronghold. The smoke, rising a mile high, conceals the city and harbor area. U. S. Navy photo.

REAMES CLUB TO PLAY HERE OCT. 29

A return match between Rogue Valley golf club and Reames Country club of Klamath Falls will be played on the Medford course October 29. Pairings have not yet been announced.

Medford defeated the Reames club in a match at Klamath Falls last spring.

The Reames County club team, with their handicaps, are Bill Selkirk, 0; Bob Wilson, 2; Carl Woods, 6; Earl Weimer, 6; Frank Tarr, 7; F. John West, 8; Martin Swanson, 10; Harley Hull, 11; Moon Mullins, 11; A. J. Vove, 11; Carl Huson, 12; Tom Towey, 12; Bill Hagelstein, 12; Ted Medford, 13; Bob Sprout, 14; Dick Miller, 14; Jim Kerns, 14; John Huston, 14; Frank Victory, 17; Dr. Cassell, 17; Darrell Miller, 18; Ed McSellan, 18; John Ashley, 19; Guy Harmon, 19; George Davis, 21; Les Wright, 21; Jack Franklin, 22; Jack Webber, 22; Matt Finnegan, 23; Dr. C. J. Cox, 24; Al House, 25; Gene Hooker, 26, and Ed Brosterhouse, 26.

STATE CHIEF OF 50,001 CLUB HERE

Don Orputt, state manager of the "50,001 Club," spent Friday and part of Saturday in Medford and Ashland in the interest of the organization which is supporting Tom Dewey for president. The 50,001'ers are now in "the blitz period of their campaign," according to Orputt and good progress is being made.

Orputt said a meeting of republican workers was called Friday by Col. O. L. Overmyer, local chairman, at which it was decided to make use of the club to get out the vote. Col. Overmyer, said Orputt, urged any who can devote some time to the work to drop in at 50,001 headquarters, corner Main and Fir, for assignment.

REDDING CRASH KILLS SOLDIER

Fort Lewis, Wash., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Pvt. Rudolph J. Laufik, Cementon, Ill., a truck driver stationed at Fort Lewis, burned to death when the army truck which he was driving crashed into a moving freight train at Redding, Cal., army officials announced today.

The truck was dragged several hundred feet before it caught fire. The blaze spread and burned two box cars. Six other cars were derailed by the impact.

Laufik was hauling equipment from Camp Kohler, Cal., to Fort Lewis on government orders when the accident occurred yesterday.

RUSSOS HAVE MONOPOLY
Herrin, Ill. (U.P.)—Freshmen at Herrin High School have elected a confusing slate of class officers. Pete Russo is president, but Pete Russo is also vice president. No, Pete's no dictator, there are two separate and distinct Petes, and neither has a middle name.

There were 237,154 orange-bearing acres in California in 1943.

BASKETBALL STAR 'PAID,' ALLEN SAYS

Lawrence, Kan., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Declaring he was not a prosecutor but was fighting the "professional gambling rodent" who attempts to "fix" games, Dr. Forrest C. (Phog) Allen today supplied Ned Irish of the Madison Square Garden with the names of "more than two college athletes" involved in what he charged was a scandal in eastern basketball last winter.

Allen, University of Kansas basketball coach said one of the men, whom he declined to name publicly but whose name was included in the telegram to Irish, "was one of the best basketball players in his part of the country."

"Nobody knows how much money was involved," Allen said. "It was enough to cause his immediate dismissal from the team, however, when the word got out."

COAST BASEBALL STARTS MARCH 31

Los Angeles, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Pacific Coast league baseball club owners tonight agreed to lengthen the 1945 season three weeks to 26 weeks running from March 31 to September 23.

No schedule was adopted at the closing session of the annual league meeting, but directors turned the dates over to Damon Miller, San Francisco club secretary, who promised to have a table ready for adoption within a month.

The three-week schedule extension with retention of the governor's cup playoffs was a compromise between some directors' requests for 28 weeks and others for the present 23 weeks, plus the play-off series, officials said.

VFW Mails Cakes Sealed In Tin To Members Overseas

Crater Lake Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars has completed packing and shipping fruit cakes to fifty World War II veterans who are members of their local post. The cakes were baked by the Groceteria and sealed in tin by the local Home Demonstration Agent's office. Wooden boxes to pack the cakes in were made by boys in the junior high school manual training classes under direction of Comrade Bill Cooney. The cakes were packed and boxes addressed and shipped by members of Crater Lake Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Crater Lake Post and Auxiliary officers were quoted by a spokesman as expressing their sincere appreciation for the help given them by the Groceteria, the Home Demonstration Agent's office and the manual training boys in adding Christmas cheer for their members serving overseas.

FIRST GARANDS HONORED
Springfield, Mass.—(U.P.)—The first Garand rifle manufactured hangs in a museum at the Springfield Armory. The second one occupies an honored position in the Pentagon building in Washington. It hangs in the office of Brig. Gen. J. S. Hatcher of the Army Ordnance Field Service Division.

POOR JUNE FOR WEDDINGS
Sacramento, Cal.—(U.P.)—Something went wrong in California this year in June, the traditional marriage month. State-wide marriage license figures show June the only month so far in 1944 which did not register a substantial number of weddings more than in the same month in 1943.

FAVOR COAST TVA
Sacramento, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—A regional authority similar to TVA to operate the central valleys project in California today was recommended by the California state grange.

EXOTIC PLANT SURPRISES
Indianapolis, Ind. (U.P.)—An exotic cereus plant, which blooms only once in a year and usually at night, surprised botanists when it burst into full beauty at midday beneath a bright autumn sun for the second time this year in the yard of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Alley.

TROUBLES NO END
Boston (U.P.)—Edward Heyman is a patient man. Six months ago the radio antenna was snapped off his automobile. Four months ago the lock of his gasoline tank was pried open. Two months ago his four tires were punctured with an ice pick. Then he complained to police.

HERE'S A TIP FOR COLD CLOGGED NOSE
Open up stuffy, cold-clogged nose with 2 drops Penetro Nose Drops in each nostril. Breathe freer, almost instantly. Caution: Use only as directed. Get PENETRO NOSE DROPS

Flight o' Time

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
October 22, 1934
(Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, notorious outlaw, killed in Ohio duel with department of justice men in Ohio.)

Guy Connor and 50,000 boxes of valley pears on ship "Floridan," ashore near mouth of Columbia.

Unsettled with rain. High 61, low 44 degrees.

Roses continue to bloom in local yards despite fall weather.

American Legion leaders advised now is not time to demand cash bonus, and will result in "loss of prestige," President Roosevelt warns.

Cong. Mott addresses Kiwanis club luncheon.

Blizzard sweeps Crater Lake park and leaves three feet of snow.

IRATE husband shoots former national commander of American Legion.

ICC favors building railroad from Bend to Lakeview.

Probable rain. High 76, low 35 degrees.

Traffic on the Pacific highway last Sunday was extremely heavy with 2,122 cars counted near Gold Hill.

Babe Ruth, home run king, passes through city, and interviewed while eating a dining car steak.

Coolidge administration is bitterly attacked by Sen. LaFollette and Wheeler, third party nominees.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO
October 22, 1910
(It was Thursday)
Revolution looms in Germany.

Os West, democratic candidate for governor, here next Sunday.

Boosters to celebrate completion of P&E to Butte Falls.

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