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Should Hirohito Be Hung?

Emperor worship must be broken among 70,000,000 fanatics. I demand the death of all Hirohito's family. Bomb the palace from sight. Two imperial shrines, at Yasukuni and Ise, must be leveled.

The above is from a statement by James R. Young, author of "Behind the Rising Sun" and "The Road to Tokyo" as a part of the "Wake Up America" series, conducted by the American Economic Foundation of New York City.

It is a typical example of modern war psychology. At the close of World War No. I, even Premier Lloyd George joined in the demand that the late Kaiser be hung and all older boys and girls will recall the popular Civil War ditty "We will hang Jeff Davis to a sour-apple tree!"

Hanging indeed is rather mild punishment for the leader of the enemy while a war is on.

BUT we don't believe Emperor Hirohito will ever be hung—by any U. S. hangman at any rate. For as certain as war arouses such blood thirsty demands, the coming of peace cools and destroys them.

Emperor Wilhelm was allowed to chop trees in peace until his death in Holland. Jefferson Davis after a few years in prison was let out on bail with none other than his bitter northern enemy, Horace Greely, as one of his bondsmen!

EMPEROR Hirohito moreover probably had no more to do with the starting of this war and its subsequent conduct, than the King of Siam. For the Emperor of Japan is merely a living symbol as far as the government of Japan is concerned. To hang him would make him a national martyr, far more potent an influence over the people of Japan dead, than alive.

NO, let the fire-eaters and witch-burners like James R. Young have their rhetorical fling while the fighting is on. It does no good, except as an emotional safety valve, but on the other hand perhaps does little if any harm.

Finally when the fighting has ended, and peace reigns again, as has always happened before, so this time, wiser counsels and saner judgments will prevail.

Thanksgiving F. B. Broadcast

So many inquiries have come to this office, particularly from those in outlying districts who have been unable to get tickets, as to whether or not there would be a broadcast of the big Thanksgiving Day game with Gresham that the Mail Tribune has arranged for such a broadcast starting shortly before the 2 p. m. kick-off Thursday afternoon.

For the real football fan hearing a play-by-play broadcast is no satisfactory substitute for being there in the grand stand—or on the side lines—but it is a lot better than nothing; and everything points to the fact the game will be a "sell-out" long before the whistle blows.

This broadcast has been arranged therefore, in the nature of a public service by this newspaper. K.M.E.D. is generously cooperating by contributing half the time while the Mail Tribune purchases the remaining half.

A Great Opportunity

President Roosevelt has a great opportunity to make his 4th term better than any of the previous three, as far as his domestic administration is concerned.

For one can hardly believe he intends to be a candidate for a 5TH term.

And if this is true then there should be no temptation for him to play politics with the 1948 election in mind.

WE believe all close and fair minded observers of the political events of the past decade, will agree that Mr. Roosevelt's great failing has been his constant placing of politics above principle—his insistence upon always doing what was politically expedient even though it might be neither desirable nor wise.

WELL, with that bogey of reelection definitely out of the picture there should be every reason for the President to drop such a tactic, consider ONLY what would be best for the country and the people—ALL the people—regard each important question NOT from the standpoint of what might help him or his party politically; but what would contribute most to the welfare of the country and the world.

And this brethren would be a consummation devoutly to be wished!

F. D. R. and Wages

When the war ends—and in Europe at least it can't last very much longer—the great danger to this country will be inflation.

Nothing will contribute more toward inflation than a rapid increase in wages—for wages are the greatest single factor in the increase of prices, and the rapid increase of prices adds up to inflation.

THAT is plain enough. But what isn't so plain is just how strongly the White House will back Economic Stabilization Director Vinson and War Labor Board Chairman Davis in their announced determination to keep the "Little Steel" formula frozen and continue at all costs to "hold the line."

Organized labor now in convention assembled demands the abandonment of the Little Steel formula. Immediate increase in wages is also demanded.

C.I.O. at least insists either the abolition of the War Labor Board, or radical change in its present personnel.

IN other words the pressure upon that "great friend of American labor" just returned to the White House for four more years, is going to be tremendous. As Chairman Vinson declares:

"We can not afford to relax our efforts. So long as the war absorbs half our production we must hold prices at their present level in order to preserve the purchasing power of the workers' pay envelope."

ABSOLUTELY true. What does an increase in wages profit if the purchase price-level is thereby increased in even greater proportion?

On the other hand of course, if wages are kept down, prices—the cost of living—must be kept down. It is a terrific task.

The attitude President Roosevelt finally takes toward it will pretty clearly demonstrate, whether he is to be primarily the statesman or the politician for the next four years.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

November 21, 1934 (It Was Wednesday) Congress investigates charge of Gen. Smedley D. Butler of "Fascist plot to create a United States dictator."

Continued unsettled and rainy. High 50, low 37 degrees.

Gasoline sales in state exceed last year.

Northwest area best in nation for business, Charles A. Wing reports.

Killing of valley turkeys for Thanksgiving trade starts.

Youths of Germany forced to labor under nazi plan.

Ray Coleman of Jacksonville is high man at the gun shoot Sunday.

Gigantic housing program of government studied by leaders.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

November 21, 1914 (It Was Friday) Death comes to Mrs. Harding wife of late president.

Revolution is launched in Mexico.

Probable rain. High 59, low 45 degrees.

Valley is deluged by heavy rain. Over inch falls in last two days.

Safe driving campaign to be opened in city.

Imperial wizard of Ku Klux Klan plans visit to city.

Eden Valley chicken growers now feeding corn to chickens.

Coyote chase in Sams Valley nets three big ones.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO

November 21, 1910 (It Was Monday) Woodville (Rogue River now), to have new bank building.

Revolt sweeps Mexico.

Tolstol, famed Russian writer, passes.

FRUIT MOTH IN WESTERN AREAS

Sacramento, Nov. 21.—(U.P.)—The state agriculture department reported today that surveys have shown only a limited extension of the California area in which oriental fruit moth infestations are found.

How 'er, the depart'ent said that a federal survey has uncovered infestations in several nearby states, and that temporary restrictions on shipment of fruit from those areas are being enforced.

Infestations were found by the federal survey in five counties of Colorado, in one county of Utah and at two points in Idaho.

Cecil Jennings Services Held

Graveside services were held in the IOOF cemetery this morning for Cecil Jennings with the Rev. W. A. Dawes officiating. Jennings passed away in Los Angeles, Nov. 11, at the age of 51. Arrangements were in care of the Conger-Morris Chapel.

He was survived by his mother, Mrs. Ida Jennings, Medford, two brothers, Walter Jennings, Portland and Sam Jennings, Medford, and a sister, Mrs. Ima Morris, Seattle.

REAL ESTATE ASSN. MEETS

Chicago (U.P.)—The National Assn. of Real Estate Boards will conduct its third annual war conference in Chicago Nov. 27 to Dec. 2. Several meetings will be devoted to city and neighborhood problems in the postwar period, and nationally known speakers will be on the program.

WALLACE OFFERS NEW SOLUTION FOR JOBS AFTER WAR

Chicago, Nov. 21.—(U.P.)—Vice President Henry A. Wallace told the convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations today that "possibly a modification of tax laws" would aid in obtaining a post-war employment goal of 60,000,000 jobs in America.

"Large old concerns must be prevented from increasing already over-large pools of dead capital," he said.

"Vital young concerns must be given an incentive to employ more people. Little men with big ideas must be given a chance to employ labor. To meet this problem means that the post-war, daring overall concept must be put promptly to work. Without such concept vigorously carried out, some form of government socialism is a certainty."

During his address, Wallace was interrupted several times by the crowd of 2,000, chanting "Wallace in '48."

Wallace urged labor to stay in politics and warned that "if we lose on the jobs front there is serious danger that we shall also lose on the permanent peace front."

Earlier Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, commander of the Army service forces, told the convention that 100,000 workers are needed in war plants producing essential fighting equipment.

HOUSE CONSIDERS CROP INSURANCE

Washington, Nov. 21.—(U.P.)—The house turned today to consideration of a measure to revive the federal crop insurance program with no serious opposition expected from the members who succeeded in killing it last spring.

House leaders believed the bill, sponsored by the late Chairman Hampton P. Fulmer of the house agriculture committee, would be approved and sent to the senate late today or tomorrow. Both political parties have endorsed proposals to reinstate the program.

Under the federal crop insurance act, wheat had been insured for five years and cotton for two by 2,100,000 farmers before congress eliminated the program from 1944 agriculture department funds.

Opposition developed because of losses suffered by the government insurance corporation. Indemnities totaling approximately \$80,000,000 were paid to 588,000 farmers compared with about \$52,000,000 in premiums received.

IN TIME FOR CAKE

Leetonia, O. (U.P.)—Just as Mrs. John Killiany was icing a cake to celebrate the 21st birthday of her sailor son, Joseph Killiany, who was overseas, in walked Joseph through the kitchen door, explaining his ship docked at an Atlantic port the previous day.

Industrial production of the United States and Canada in 1943 was 20 per cent higher than 1942, but in that year U. S. production was 121 per cent higher and Canadian production 159 per cent higher than the 1939 average.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember

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Christmas Comes for Little Nubbins



Held in his mother's arms, Little Forrest (Nubbins) Hoffman smiles from window of his Cheyenne, Wyo. home after his extra special Christmas celebration, held more than a month ahead of time so that the child, falling rapidly from an incurable bladder ailment, would know the meaning of the day. At right his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hoffman, and Santa Claus, played by a neighbor, C. B. Dilbeck, examine the hundreds of presents sent from all corners of the country to the youngster.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Nov. 21.—(U.P.)—Livestock: Cattle, 200; calves, 225. Active, steady. Common-medium steers \$10@12.50. Heifers \$9@12. Canner-cutter cows \$4.50@5.50. Shells \$3@4. Fat dairy type cows up to \$3. Medium-good beef cows \$9@11.50. Grass calves \$9@12. Good-choice vealers salable \$13@14.

Hogs, 200. Active, steady. Good-choice 180-240 lbs. \$14.75@15.25. 245-300 lbs. \$13.50@14. Good sows \$13@13.25. Feeder pigs salable \$12.50@13.50.

Sheep, 200. Active, strong. Choice 170-lb. woolled lambs \$13. Good-choice 89 lbs. shorn lambs \$12.25. Common-medium lambs salable \$8.50@10.50. Good ewes quotable \$3.50@4. Market closed Thanksgiving day.

Wall Street

New York, Nov. 21.—(U.P.)—Stocks rose fractions to more than a point in the main list today with numerous special issues showing substantially wider advances. Trading was active in the early hours but later slackened.

The bullish outlook reflected generally good business news, including a report of the Association of American Railroads that revenue freight-ton miles increased substantially in October over the preceding months, as well as for the first 10 months of 1944.

Today's closing prices on selected stocks: American Tel. & Tel. 163 3/4. Anaconda 27 1/4. Chrysler 80 1/4. Curtis Wright 6 3/4. General Electric 39 3/4. General Motors 61 3/4. Montgomery Ward 52 3/4. Penn. R. R. 30. Phillips Petroleum 43 3/4. J. C. Penney 110. Radio 10. Southern Pacific 33 3/4. Standard Oil of Cal. 35 3/4. Texas Gulf Sulphur 36 1/4. Transamerica 9 3/4. United Aircrafts 31 3/4. U. S. Rubber 48. U. S. Steel 56 1/4.

S. F. DAIRY PRICES

San Francisco, Nov. 21.—(U.P.)—Dairy market: Butter: 93 score 43, 92 score 42 1/2, 90 score 42 1/4, 89 score 41 3/4. Cheese: wholesale prices: loafs 27.9; triplets 27.2. Eggs: large, grade A 56 1/2. 57 1/2; large grade B 43 1/2-44 1/2; medium grade A 51 1/2-52 1/2; small grade A 37 1/2-38 1/2.

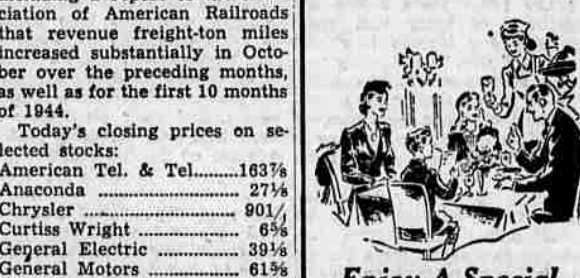
PROLIFIC BULB

Rutland, Vt. (U.P.)—From a single bulb, Mrs. Nella M. Grimm grew 80 white and yellow Tibetan lilies on six stems.

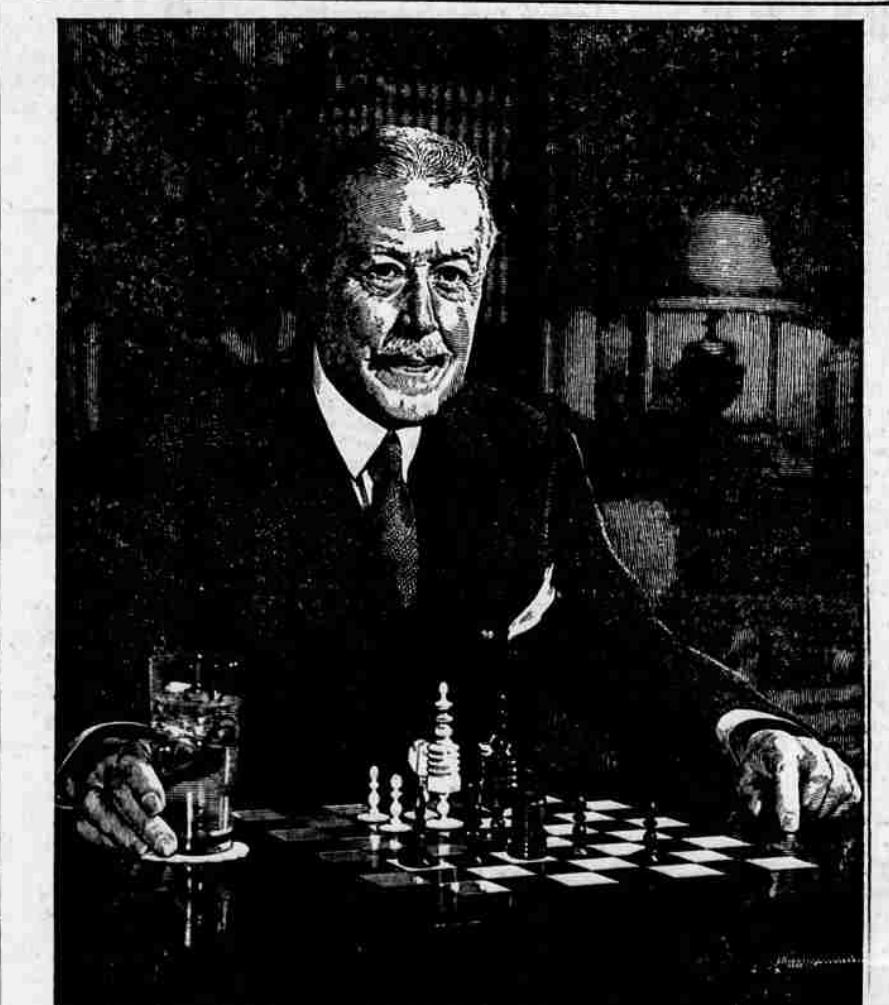
WARDENS BLOSSOM OUT

North Adams, Mass. (U.P.)—After guarding the home front for more than two years without casualties, North Adams air-raid wardens have been supplied with 500 steel helmets and gas masks.

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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The womenfolks, out of cigarettes, have started smoking pipes, in many spots. The "feminine influence" is apt to bring out pipe styles that look like their hats, with a lipstick in the stem. If they are careless like the men, who put lighted pipes in their pockets, they will be traipsing down the street, with a peck-size handbag on fire.

Still no word about Herr Hitler, his whereabouts or health. Some hold nothing ails this monster, that can't be cured by United Nations promises not to jail or hang him, for his cussedness.

"Hard luck still pursues Harry Thomas, who has a painfully smashed thumb. Last September he was shot at for a buck."—(Clear Creek Items)—With a tinge of silver lining.

The Dick Fair boy Dick, has come down with a case of showing his bringing up, and is even polite to his Titan-haired sister, Karolyn. Last year, the same thing hit him 34 days before Santa Claus.

WHO WOULDN'T?

(The Dalles Chronicle) "Why does Butts look sad? The reason is plain. He had a prize turkey almost as large as any condor. It was the delight of his eye, in fact of both of them, and he had often in gazing at his favorite bird let his thoughts wander to the bright Thanksgiving day when he should absorb a portion of him. He will never see him more, for the turkey was, but is not. Someone took him."—(50 Yrs. Ago Col.)

Sweden and Germany plan "to enter into an exchange of opinions" on how Swedish interests in the Baltic can be considered. Inasmuch, as Russia will have the main say in the Baltic, when the shooting ends, this is a waste of opinions. The "exchange of opinions" is quite a drop for the Swedes. Through two world wars, professing a great love of peace, and neutrality, they waxed prosperous, selling munitions and other needs of war to Germany.

Loose wildcats in Kentucky are keeping children of the mountain districts out of school. The varmints even scare their Pappy's. What they need is a few swigs of Oregon moonshine—the kind reputed to cause a rabbit to spit, (ugly word, remember), in a wildcat's eye.

In Paris, there are no American cigarettes for soldiers or civilians, although the "black market" has them at \$4 per pack. Anybody who ever smoked a French cigarette would gladly pay \$4 and think it a bargain.

"That piece of rag your wife gave you the other day to clean the car with is the frock she just couldn't manage without last spring."—(Wall Street Journal)—Little woman item.

The weather being what it is, the fashion pictures run not to furs and flannels, but to play suits for the well dressed gals. In them, a considerable area of washbone, torso and shank are exposed.

Post-war cussing of public utilities has started in the Willamette valley. In Salem, the argument seems to whirl around "the right of every user of electricity to buy it in the open competitive market." Now is the time for the legislature to enact a law prohibiting PUD, elections west of the Cascades, and north of the Umqua Divide, until the ink on the peace treaties has been dry for 17 years. Other wise, everybody will be too busy fighting, and running from the "power barons" to get any thing but a speech or a letter to the editor off his chest.

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