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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Letters to the editors of upstate reveal many farmers regret they did not vote for Gov. Dewey for president. When votnig, they felt if they did, they would do their plowing barefooted and with shirt-tails flying.

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Now comes Stockholm with the 'steenth "inside" story of the unhorsing of Herr Hitler. What the world needs is an "outside" story of the event. The details of the abdication were revealed by a tipsy Gestapo chief, who by now has suffered a fatal heart attack, aggravated by lead poisoning. Der Fuehrer himself was on edge. He had a bawling tantrum, and chewed carpet. The latter oddity caused Field Marshal Von Rundstedt to remark: "Rather ten carpets than one more defeat." Prussian generals do not engage in wisecracks—even grim ones.

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"Lost—Persian cat. Answers to name of Shah. Sensitive and discontented. Reward." — (SF. Chronicle). Maybe Shah is homesick for Persia.

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F. DeSouza, F. Kelly, and Ward Spatz were caught knotted in front of the po. Tues. Sidewalk gloating over a national election victory, should be made a misdemeanor, punishable by fine and imprisonment, or both, if committed 39 days after the votes are counted.

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LOW-DOWN ON FATE
(Grants Pass Bulletin)

Kate Griffith fell in an open well after dark, last week, missed a stump in the bottom that saved her from drowning after submerging in six feet of water. She missed the stump that would have killed her, and climbed up on it, so it saved her from drowning until a rope was lowered and she was pulled out of the dark cold wet prison. Some would have piously claimed she was saved "because her time had not come." But secretly we feel it was because she missed the stump on her "down trip," and climbed on it on her "return trip!"

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Only four days till Christmas. Junior high school girls are helping Mother wash the dishes this week.

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J. Tannehill Walker, 5, the embryo cow-hand, is doing fine for a small boy. Any day now the Older Girl next door, with whom he is feuding, expects to discover her clothesline has become his lasso. He still can't roll a cigarette with one hand, while twirling a six-shooter in the other.

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"Request seven-day extension of furlough because of mother's illness. Red Cross will send prevarication upon request." — (Army Camp paper). The Red Cross should feel fibbergasted.

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Radio reports say the Belgians boo-ed retreating Yankees, as they travelled thru towns, to the rear. On the return they will all be out cheering for gum, cigarettes, beans and victory.

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The return of the American-born Japanese to the coast areas is apt to fan the fires of intolerance. Since Pearl Harbor and other treachery, the faults of the late "little brown brother" have loomed large and many. There is something to his credit. Nobody, in war or peace, ever caught one of them on a soapbox.

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A commentator surmises, "Topsy-turvy fails to describe the situation". A fair appraisal would be "turvy-topsy".

The first Roman aqueduct, which was 11 miles long, was built by Appius Claudius in 315 B. C.

It Is Oregon's Problem

Oregon should follow Michigan's example and when the Legislature opens is the time to do it.

For as noted in Monday's Tribune, Michigan has been one of the first states to create machinery for aiding war veterans returning from the present conflict.

They are returning here now in Jackson County, and they present a very serious problem.

For they are no longer fitted for war, and at the same time not fitted to return to useful work in civilian life.

As a result they are a worry and burden to their families and to themselves, and tragic results are almost certain to follow, unless the situation is corrected.

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THESE disabilities are not so much physical as nervous and mental. But as yet there is no place for the young veterans to go for proper care and treatment of such ailments.

Michigan has spent a million dollars establishing the Pine Lake rehabilitation center near Kalamazoo to meet such problems.

Oregon cannot afford as large an establishment as that, of course, nor is there need for it.

But Oregon does need its own rehabilitation center, to fit local conditions and demands, not only to RE-educate these honorably discharged veterans, so they can again become useful members of the community, but to aid them to become readjusted socially.

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PRIVATE business can't do this. The home—at least the average home—can't do it. Few communities in Oregon have the resources to do the job as it should be done. And according to our information the federal government won't do it,—or can't do it soon enough to meet the pressing exigencies of the case.

Therefore, it is up to the state to do it.

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WE know of few things more important for the Jackson County delegation to consider and study than this problem of the returning unadjusted warveteran.

It isn't a post-war problem. It is a problem that faces this community, and every community in the state NOW and it calls for solution, not some time in the future, but as soon as the convening of the Legislature makes state action possible.

Censorship Again

We have received an unsigned post card asking what we think of keeping the news of this German offensive from the people.

That is OK.

According to press dispatches Germany is doing the same thing. Neither side wishes to give the enemy the benefit of information at this critical time and none should be given.

There is another advantage.

In any all-out offensive confusion reigns for a considerable time, neither side knowing precisely what is happening or has happened until the drive has spent itself and the atmosphere has cleared. Spot news information, even if given, might therefore prove to be inaccurate information.

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WE grant no news allows the imagination full play and tends to arouse exaggerated fears.

But there is also an advantage there as far as public morale is concerned.

For when the true facts are known and released they will almost certainly fall far below what imaginations pictured,—and that will tend to ultimately relieve and encourage the people, instead of the reverse.

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AS often stated we do believe that the powers-that-be have been grossly negligent as far as giving the American people a true and realistic picture of this war is concerned. The dereliction has been even greater in the Far East than in Europe.

But in a situation, such as this, unexpected German break-through has caused, we believe clamping down a strict censorship is entirely justified.

Even Homer Nods

Speaking of this "uncertain war", last August, it was remarked in this column that it might be well to call off the indoor sport of trying to guess the date for the end of the war, and concentrate upon WINNING it.

It was just one of those obvious things to say, with no expectation the intriguing guessing contest would cease,—which it didn't.

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WE are now indebted to Time however for a collection of official prognostications, which have gone sour. They certainly emphasize the folly of mere laymen trying to do what the American High Command,—the men who are actually directing the war and know everything there is to know concerning it,—have failed so conspicuously to accomplish.

We quote:

Admiral William F. Halsey (New Year's Day, 1943): "1943 will see . . . complete, absolute defeat for the Axis."

General H. H. Arnold (February 1943): "I have an appointment in Berlin a year from today . . . "

Lieut. General Mark W. Clark (November, 1943): "It is my hope and belief that before (November 1944) the battle for Europe will have terminated in a smashing victory . . . "

General Eisenhower (December, 1943): "The Allies will win the European war in 1944."

Under Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson (August, 1944): "Victory over the Germans is not far off."

General George C. Marshall (in the Army & Navy Journal dated Dec. 7, 1944): "Before this statement is published, hostilities might have terminated in the European Theater."

News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, Dec. 20 — Queer doings have taken the stage here. Mr. Roosevelt did not veto the bill preventing another 1 and 1 per cent hike for worker and management in social security taxes. A veto message had been written for him by his social security board. Assistant President James Byrnes tipped congressmen definitely the veto would come.

Paul Mallon

The average sterotyped interpretation is that the president is getting somewhat more conservative. I do not think so. Congress was ready to pass the bill over a veto, had the votes in line. The president could not stop it. His action therefore simply implies he has reached the age where he is not interested in provoking losing fights (or at least this one) for political purposes only.

Those who think he has gone conservative on social security will be dismayed next month when he sets forth a C. I. O.-ish program for its radical expansion.

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BUT the queerest of all new goings-on is the anti-administration revolt of the Guffey-Pepper new dealers, resisting Mr. Roosevelt's appointees to the Stettinius regime in the state department. The revolters are the ones who claimed, for 12 previous new deal years, that anyone was practically a fascist for questioning Mr. Roosevelt on anything.

A Republican who has watched the progress of their unnatural conduct from across the aisle surmises they are trying to convince Mr. R. they won the election for him, and he must do as they say.

I doubt the full implication of this analysis, as the men involved are not Borahs, lone wolves or of a strongly independent character.

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JOE Guffey is a 69-year-old professional politician, whose biography in the congressional directory (where congressmen generally set forth all the glories of their careers for constituents to see) is tersely this:

"Joseph F. Guffey, democrat, Pittsburgh, Pa., unmarried."

Just as his record is unmarred by any opposition to C. I. O. obviously Mr. Guffey is not burning with anything inside for the future world. To characterize him, I would say he is wholly at the service of C. I. O., to burn as it burns, to flicker as it flickers—and nothing else. That is where the votes are in Pennsylvania, or at least Guffey's votes.

The 44-year-old Pepper is a different proposition. This Floridian reflects no glow from Florida, but mostly things from the newspaper PM in New York, the Marshall Field escape from too many millions.

This fire does not burn or glow but erupts like a volcano. To say that it has a definite line or destination would require clairvoyance.

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FOR instance, it and Pepper were bitter about Churchill when he tried to stop the communists in Greece. Yet they were just as bitter when he did the opposite and gave in to the communists in Poland. To say they are half communists (as many people do) is to state the matter too mildly, and inaccurately.

True, I judge they would rather have a communist regime than a bankers' or British regime in Greece or anywhere. But, they do not hate riches, only certain riches.

Among the state department appointees none is as rich as Field except Will Clayton. You might surmise Clayton does not have the proper revulsion against his money as Field does, but then neither does Ickes, whom they love, and whose million or more never caused him the slightest nausea. Nor is their ideology of the world any easier to define.

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FOR years they have claimed the Roosevelt foreign policy was the mark of true internationalism and true liberalism, but they always hated Mr. Hull, a League of Nations internationalist, who made the policy. Now they are opposing senate confirmation of the six internationalists who are on their own side of the fence, yet a few days earlier they approved Stettinius, who recommended these men, although he is probably about as rich as Mr. Roosevelt.

One thing they think they are clear on is their "cause of the common man," but their stands generally favor the common man in the C. I. O. unions, less than the common man in the A. F. of L. or the commonest man of all outside their small radical group. I do not think they know what they want.

If, as the Republican surmises, it is to prove to Mr. R. that confusion of this volcanic nature won the last election and not Mr. Roosevelt or the war situation which caused so many people opposing his policies to vote for him, the democratic senate is resisting it. And, if it represents C. I. O. pressure through Guffey to needle Mr. Rosevelt gently in a losing fight, Mr. Roosevelt will furnish the answer in future actions. It seems to me he is getting tired and inconsiderate of pressure.

CHAPLIN ADMITS THREAT TO BLACK GIRL'S REPUTATION

Film Comedian Is Angry Witness In Joan's Paternity Suit Against Him.

Hollywood, Dec. 20 — (U.P.) — Charlie Chaplin, an angry and reluctant witness for Joan Barry in her paternity suit against him, today admitted telling the Brooklyn red head he would spend his entire fortune blackening her name if she pressed the charge.

Called as an "adverse witness" by Miss Barry's attorney and antagonistic until the moment he stepped down in favor of his ex-butler, Chaplin gripped the arms of the witness stand until his knuckles stood out white against the dark wood.

"And did you say you would bring up the name of every man she ever knew if she went on with the suit," Attorney Joseph Scott asked.

"Yes, in substance I might have said that," Chaplin said firmly.

Threats Recalled

He agreed that during his trial on Mann act charges he had said Miss Barry threatened to kill him. Yesterday he had said she was going to kill herself.

"I forgot yesterday," he said, "that she had made both threats."

Chaplin was followed on the stand by Edward Chaney, who no longer buttled for him, but who testified that on the night of December 10, 13 days before the night Miss Barry says Chaplin left her with child, some friends had a little party at the Chaplin home. One of them was King Vidor, the director, Chaney said.

Another, he said with a wry smile, was Oona O'Neill, the present Mrs. Chaplin and mother of Chaplin's latest child.

Chaplin consistently denied the possibility of his being the father of Miss Barry's 14-months-old daughter.

Parenthood Denied

"She confronted me in May of 1943 with the assertion that I was the father of the child she was to bear," the British actor said, "but I told her it was impossible since we had had no relations for more than a year."

In reply to a question from 77-year-old Attorney Joseph Scott, representing Miss Barry and Baby Carol Ann in the paternity suit, the 54-year-old Chaplin agreed he still was capable of producing a child "with a healthy woman."

"Miss Barry said to me when we were sitting down by the swimming pool," Chaplin said, "that she didn't want me to care for the baby. 'I want you to marry me,' she said."

"How can you be so blatant and look me square in the face and say such a thing, knowing the kind of life you've been leading," the multimillionaire comic quoted himself.

Attorney Scott beetled his brows and shot:

"Did she know the kind of life you'd been leading?"

Chaplin's counsel, Charles E. (Pat) Millikan objected.

"That is," Judge Henry M. Willis agreed, "a bit far from the swimming pool."

Life Open Book

"My life, Chaplin said in loud, clear tones, "is an open book."

"What I'm saying now is only mild to what I'm going to say to the jury," Scott replied testily, "so counsel might as well get used to it."

Chaplin admitted testifying during his Mann act trial that he couldn't remember when he broke off relations with Miss Barry, saying at that time:

"Sex isn't that important in my life. I can't remember."

He said he remembered yesterday that it was in February of 1942 because he was working on the never-produced picture Shadow and Substance in which Miss Barry was to have the lead role.

Miss Barry asserted she was intimate with the ageing actor twice on the night of December 23, 1942, the same night, she said, her child was conceived.

Chaplin Denies

Chaplin was wildly emphatic on that point yesterday. He did nothing more that night than offer Miss Barry a place to sleep, he shouted, gesturing wildly. His intimacies with her ended in February, 1942, he said, more than a year and a half before the birth of the curly-haired plaintiff.

Chaplin got his first glimpse of the dimpled baby he is accused of fathering as he strode through the courtroom on his way to the stand. His eyes flicked in her direction briefly and then glanced away without expression.

Carol Ann spent the day in court alternately babbling baby talk and watching the legal proceedings with wide brown eyes.

"Isn't it a fact that you had a relationship with Miss Barry that night?" Scott asked.

"No, it is not!" snapped the comedian.

"Didn't you sleep with her?"

"No!" Chaplin shouted.

He said his last relationship with Miss Barry was in February, 1942, when he broke off their intimacies.

"You mean sexual relations?" Scott asked.

Harsh Word

"Yes, I mean that, but that's a harsh word," Chaplin replied.

"Yes it is," drawled Scott. "That's a harsh word. I'm sorry I hurt your feelings."

Scott asked him what his answer was when Miss Barry told him she was going to bear his child.

"I told her that whatever her condition was she had brought it on herself," Chaplin said.

"It was not your fault?"

"No!" the irate comedian shouted.

Then he lost his temper and gestured wildly toward the bench.

"I've committed no crime, your honor," he roared, pounding the witness stand with his fist and tearing his hair. "I'm human; I can't help it. This man is trying to make me look like a monster!"

Chaplin Loses Plea

(Acme Telephoto)

Baby Carol Ann Barry looks rather bored with the whole procedure as Attorney Joseph Scott carries her into court today, accompanied by the child's grandmother, Mrs. Gertrude Berry. Carol Ann is the center of the battle that her mother, Joan Barry, is waging to prove that movie comedian, Charlie Chaplin, is the father of the little girl.

U. S. To Be Asked To Fight War III Says Senator Nye

Washington, Dec. 20.—(U.P.)—Sen. Gerald P. Nye, R., N. D., who entered the senate shortly after the close of the last war, declared today in his farewell address that within 20 years the United States would be asked to fight another European war "to keep Russia from seizing control of the world."

It was Nye's swan song after 20 years of service as a U. S. senator. He was defeated for re-election in November.

In an address prepared for delivery on the floor, the pre-war isolationist told his colleagues that upon their shoulders rested the hopes of "plain people" for "peace for our own of America," and called on them to keep the United States out of World War III by "minding our own business."

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U. S. Coast Guards Taking Youths for Preparatory School

Portland — The U. S. coast-guard personnel procurement office has announced that applications are now being taken from 17-year-old youths for entrance to the academy preparatory school at Avery Point, Conn. The course embodies a comprehensive program of academic and practical studies designed to assure the enlistee assignment to the regular coastguard academy at New Londno, Conn. This regular course, in wartime, is of three years' duration and upon graduation the cadet receives a commission as ensign and a bachelor of science degree.

Anyone desiring to apply for enlistment should apply in person at recruiting headquarters, 806 S. W. Morrison, Portland, Ore. Here they may obtain full details concerning this career course and each applicant will be required to take a comprehensive written examination and a thorough physical to determine fitness.

Reese Creek

Reese Creek, Dec. 20—Reese Creek Sunday school will have their Christmas program Friday, Dec. 22, at the church at 8 p. m. The community is invited.

Mrs. Wm. Walsh has been visiting Mrs. Glenn Shippe of McCloud the past week.

Captain Tom Sherrian from the south seas is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherrian.

Mrs. Robert Humphrey, Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Vestal attended P.-T.A. at Eagle Point last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Collins spent a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Collins as their house burned at Tiller Trail mill.

There were 1,002,000 more persons employed in government work in the United States in 1943 than in 1939.

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TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
December 20, 1934
(It was Thursday)

Attorney Joe F. Fliegel resigns as member of city planning commission.

PWA chief sees early start on city sewage disposal plant.

Paving of North Riverside contract let.

America and Britain to sign naval accord treaty if international pact is voided.

Irene Dunne, screen star, pays brief visit to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pellett of this city.

Cloudy. High 44, low 37 degrees.

Central Point defeats Gold Hill, 25 to 14, in B conference opening game.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
December 20, 1924
(It was Friday)

State prohibition enforcement officer arrested for seizure of liquor on British vessel docked at Portland.

Largest peace time budget in history presented congress. Calls for appropriation of $763,160,522.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Muirhead leave for Portland to spend the Christmas holidays.

Continued cold prevails with a minimum of nine degrees above zero for the second night in a row. The high was 28 degrees. Colder weather is predicted.

Annual Christmas tree of Elks lodge is huge success.

Rogue river at Grants Pass full of ice cakes.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY
December 20, 1910
(It was Monday)

Large crowd attends dedication of Garnett-Corey (Liberty) Building.

Christmas falls on Sunday, but stores and banks will close Monday.

Amos McKee, Applegate rancher, sells his beans for five cents per pound to local merchants.

HIMMLER DIRECTING COLMAR OPERATIONS

With Sixth Army Group, France, Dec. 20.—(U.P.)—Official sources said tonight that Heinrich Himmler, chief of the gestapo and commander of Germany's home army, was reported reliably to have taken charge of resistance in the Alsatian bridgehead around Colmar.

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

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