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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry
Scientists now boast they have sliced a molecule "to near-invisibility."

What Price Allied Unity?

President Roosevelt, in his annual message, scathingly scored those who are trying to engender disunity in the allied high command.
And quite properly so. Anyone in the allied camp who is TRYING to do that should be shot at sunrise.
But who is?

THE point is, no one thus far mentioned is—or has been—TRYING to disrupt the "High Command" or cause disunity among the allies.
But many are or have been contributing to that lack of unity and among them must be listed President Roosevelt himself!
Why? Because the President has recently taken a stand regarding Poland which is diametrically opposed to the stand taken by his allied comrade-in-arms Joseph Stalin, big-chief of all the Russians.
NOT only that, but Prime Minister Churchill, on the same issue, has sided with F.D.R.

WHY?
Well, we can't speak for the British Prime Minister, but it is clear why President Roosevelt refused to join with Soviet Russia in endorsement of the Lublin control in Poland.
Such control would not only be pro-Russian and communistic, it would be entirely contrary to the principles of the Atlantic Charter.
And President Roosevelt, as he recently stated, still believes in the principles of that charter, and intends to continue to base American foreign policy on them.

IN Other words:
Here is disunity among the allies which everyone—at least everyone outside of the Axis—deplors and yet HOW can it be avoided?
In this particular case in two ways only.
Either Messrs Roosevelt and Churchill must join with Stalin on this Polish issue, or Stalin must join with them.
What chance is there of any such action?
In the opinion of this department the favorable chances will never add up to more than "one-half-of-one-percent."

MORE than that.
What is true in Poland, is also true to a greater or less extent, in Italy, Greece, the Balkans, France, China and what have you.
Soviet Russia will insist upon "friendly governments" in all these countries. And by a "friendly government" Russia means a government that would not only be pro-Russian, but in any serious international emergency could be depended upon to side with Russia, if necessary with force.
The United States on the other hand—and probably to a less extent Great Britain—insists that not Stalin, but the people in these various countries should decide, what form of governments they desire.

SO THERE is the split—disunity in the allied camp if you please.
How can it be remedied?
Again only in two ways. Either Russia must come over to the present Anglo-American position or Britain and the United States must join with the Russian.
The chances are greater that the latter rather than the former course finally may be decided upon, but these are decidedly slim.
Which is only another way of reaching this inevitable conclusion:
By the essential political nature of the allied setup absolute harmony is impossible and will become more and more difficult to attain as the defeat of the Axis comes nearer and nearer to fulfillment.

"Ike" and His Army OK

General Montgomery's high praise for General Eisenhower and the American doughboy is most timely, and we believe entirely deserved.
There is no doubt the break in the American lines in mid-December was a serious set-back. With the exception of Pearl Harbor probably the most costly of the present war, as far as American troops are concerned.
But like Pearl Harbor—and Bataan which was the direct result of it—the disaster was no reflection upon the quality of U. S. generalship or the fighting stamina of American troops.

SURPRISE was the cause of the trouble in both instances—COMPLETE surprise.
No one at Pearl Harbor SUSPECTED the Japanese would, or could, stage an air-attack of serious proportions against Pearl Harbor and before war had even been declared.
No one on the western front suspected that the Germans would, or could, stage an all-out offensive, not only on the ground but in the air where and when they did.
And we mean that literally—no one—at least no one in authority in the allied command.

BUT in both cases what couldn't be done, WAS done. And in both cases the great wonder is not that the resulting losses were considerable, but that they were not far more devastating than they were.
As General Montgomery is generous enough to point out, it was the high fighting quality of American troops, and the excellent defensive strategy and resourcefulness of "General Ike," that brought this crushing surprise attack to a halt, and enabled the allies in a comparatively short time to take over the offensive from the enemy, and resume the slow but sure drive toward Berlin.

News Behind The News
By Paul Mallon

Washington, Jan. 9.—The fog in which we have been stumbling along toward a world peace organization is beginning to thin out.
The outline of certain events to come is becoming discernible.
True enough, the British press has taken to abusing American policies (no doubt for our criticism of their policy in Greece) and threatening to join the Russians against us, while the Russian press occasionally snaps at us also, and our own people look on confusedly as both the Russians and British are conspiring against each other for power in postwar Europe.

Yet in this very confusion there lies a great clarity. It seems to me events obviously are shaping up this way:
THE administration plan is to stage a big-three conference (Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin) for a final settlement of principles in a postwar club of nations, and then have the working diplomats draw up a charter for it, which will be ready in April (they hope and expect).
This charter will pursue the Dumbarton Oaks line to a conclusion, and the current tendency, both of the administration and much of the American public at large, is to worry whether it can get through the senate, with the two-thirds majority which will be necessary.
Thus we are fretting about crossing a distant bridge, not only before we get to it, but even before we cross a longer bridge immediately ahead.
The pending problem is to get a sound agreement on a charter, and the success or failure in laying this first bridge will automatically determine the result on the second bridge.
The arrangement itself will determine whether the senate will accept it.

Thus we should be worrying now only about getting a good charter, yet this matter is little discussed.
CONSIDERABLE fog around this immediate bridge has been dispelled by recent events, though not all.
Russia is taking military control throughout central Europe and her military occupation inevitably will result in the establishment of political regimes under her control, directly or indirectly.
The British are doing the same thing in Greece, Belgium and Holland.
France has largely been occupied militarily by us, but we are not exerting much political control, and the French are making certain arrangements with Russia.
Joint Anglo-American influence prevails in Italy, but it is the British who are directing the choice of cabinet ministers or vetoing them.

The realistic point of this condition is that the Russian seizures are absolute, unquestioned (also completely under censorship as to news), while those controlled by the British are open, democratic in theory and subject to international dicker and constant controversy (even including shooting revolts).
Now these occupations are all being made under a purely military United Nations agreement supposedly made at Tehran, and later, by Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin.

BY April, it seems to me, this process of dividing Europe will be an accomplished fact, an irretrievably fait accompli.
Will the Russians then come into the world club, or join clublike rule of a stable Europe maintained with the arms of the big three? I believe they will. They will then have what they want and naturally will desire a world organization plus our armies and the British to guarantee and preserve their gains forever, if possible.
But will our people and the senate want a charter in April which perpetuates with arms the things they are now criticizing so severely in Europe? Will the administration want it? And what will we get out of it?

'Foolish Economy' Fund Totals \$1623
Somerville, Mass., Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—For the past five years, John L. Hayward, 73-year-old teetotaler teacher at Somerville high school, has banked sums of money equal to what friends mentioned they had spent for liquor.
Today, his "foolish economy fund," as he calls it, amounts to \$1,623.

LEGISLATORS TO STUDY QUESTION ON LIQUOR STOCK

Salem, Ore., Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Oregon legislators today studied a recommendation of Gov. Earl Snell that a joint legislative committee conduct a far-reaching investigation of recent liquor purchases by Oregon and Washington because of "certain innuendos and accusations" in the recent political campaign.
Snell referred to the purchase by the two states of Kentucky distillery stocks to furnish expanded liquor supplies for state stores. Criticism developed and the issue has become controversial, particularly in Washington.
The governor added the liquor recommendation to his biennial message to the legislators only a few minutes before he addressed the joint session yesterday afternoon.

Good Name Involved.
Citing that he had named men of integrity and character to the commission, Snell said they were entitled to a thorough audit and investigation.
He suggested two senators and three representatives be named to direct the employment of a reliable auditing firm for the inquiry, to be financed from the liquor control commission funds.
"Obviously," he added, "the examination should, and I am sure will, be conducted on an impartial, unprejudiced, non-political basis."

Snell explained that the release of "a certain audit" in Washington precipitated the accusations and maintained that the facts should be developed because "the good name of the state of Oregon was involved."

Livestock
Portland, Ore., Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Livestock: Cattle, 100 calves, \$12.50. Load good fed steers \$12.25. Odd medium steers \$12.50 to \$14.25. Canner-cutter cows \$8.50 to \$7.50. Fat dairy cows \$8 to \$10. Medium-good beef cows salable \$10 to \$12.50. One load good 400-pound grass calves \$13.50. Good choice vealers salable \$13.50 to \$14.50 or above.
Hogs, 150 Active, steady. Good-cuts, 170-270 pounds \$15.75; heavier weights \$14.50 to \$15. Good sows \$13.25 to \$13.75. Feeder pigs salable \$12 to \$14.
Sheep, 300 Steady. Medium-good short lambs \$14.50. Good-wooled lambs quotable \$14 to \$17.50; extreme top Monday \$15.25. Good-choice ewes salable \$8 to \$9.50.

San Francisco, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—(U.S.D.A.)—Livestock: Cattle, 175 Active, steady to strong. Good to choice quoted \$12.75 to \$13. Medium cows \$11.50 to \$12.25, common \$9.50 to \$11. Canner and cutter cows \$7.50 to \$8.50. Fat dairy cows \$8 to \$10. Fully steady; choice vealers \$14 to \$15.
Hogs, 200 Active, fully steady; early clearance. Load-lots good to choice \$15.75 to \$16. Range cows \$12.75. Good and choice sows \$14, ceiling. Complete early clearance.
Cattle, 1,000 General market fully steady; fed steers and yearlings \$13 to \$16; some held above \$17. Medium heifers \$10.50 to \$14; cutter cows \$7.25 down; good beef cows \$12.50 to \$13.50; weighty sausage bulls to \$14.50.
Sheep, 6,000 Part load good and choice fed-wooled western lambs \$13.50, load lot held \$15.50 and slightly above, few good and choice native lambs \$12.25 with cull and common three-cuts \$8 to \$12.

Portland Produce
Portland, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Wholesale produce market:
Cauliflower—No. 1, Roseburg, \$1.90 to 2; local, \$2.15 to \$2.25 crate.
Potatoes—Cedar, \$3.25.
Squash—Danish, \$1.15 to \$1.25 crate.
Tomatoes—California, \$4.75 to \$5 slug repacked.

Chicago Wheat
Chicago, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Wheat:
May—\$1.06 1/4, \$1.04 1/4, \$1.02 1/4
July—1.59 1/4, 1.59 1/4, 1.57 1/4
Sept.—1.59 1/4, 1.59 1/4, 1.57 1/4
Dec.—1.58 3/4, 1.58 3/4, 1.56 1/4

S. F. DAIRY PRICES
San Francisco, Jan. 9.—(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 loads 27.9, triplets 27.2.
Eggs: Large grade A 50 1/2, large grade B 41 1/2, medium grade A 45 1/2, small grade A 41 1/2.

Wall Street
New York, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Moderate amounts of profit-taking brought an appearance of irregularity into the stock market today although the general average managed to reach a new high since September 4, 1937.
Trading was heavy from the start when blocks of 1,000 to 6,000 shares appeared on the tape and the volume was so large that tickers for a time were unable to keep pace. First hour sales of more than 700,000 were at a rate of 3,500,000 for a full session. Later dealings lightened but the day's total crossed the 2,000,000-share mark.
Today's closing prices on selected stocks:

Table with columns for stock names and prices: American Tel. & Tel., Anaconda, Chrysler, Curtiss Wright, General Electric, General Motors, Montgomery Ward, Penn. R. R., Phillips Petroleum.

Bus Driver Slain



(Aime Telephoto) Miss Winifred Cecil, 25-year-old Navy bus driver, found brutally murdered in her Mare Island, Calif., Navy bus. Her killer had apparently hidden himself overnight in the bus.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Marion W. Isbell, metropolitan director of the office of police administration, said today that the largest shortage of food ration points ever uncovered here was found at all places—in a government agency the Chicago postoffice restaurant.
Isbell said the shortage totaled 1,200,000 red points, used for meat and butter, and 1,256,000 blue points for canned goods. In addition, the restaurant was short certificates for 37,000 pounds of sugar.

COL. CHAMBERLIN TO FORT LEWIS

Col. Frank T. Chamberlin was in Medford for a few hours yesterday en route to Tacoma, Wash., where he will be stationed in the future as post surgeon for Ft. Lewis near Tacoma.
The officer left Camp White last summer for Camp Lockett, Calif., newly activated camp for convalescent servicemen. He was stationed at Camp White for more than a year as head of the medical department and post surgeon.
The officer stated that Mrs. Chamberlin would be in Medford tomorrow or Thursday for a short time.

WAC Director Gets Recognition Award

Washington, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson today pinned the Distinguished Service Medal on Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, director of the Women's Army Corps, and told her he wished there were more persons like her in the army.
The award was announced Jan. 1 in recognition of Mrs. Hobby's services in planning and building the WAC into "an essential and integral part of the army." The corps now has nearly 100,000 members.

First Jap Returns To Placer County

Auburn, Calif., Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Sumio Doi, American born Japanese, and his parents, the first Japanese to return to Placer county since revocation of the exclusion order, today prepared to resume fruit growing on their ranch in the Mt. Vernon district.
The Dois took possession of their ranch yesterday from J. A. Marshall, who had leased it during their absence. Marshall quoted Doi as saying that his reception was "cooler" than he expected.

SILVESTER RELIEVED OF DUTIES, ON SICK LEAVE

Washington, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Maj. Gen. Lindsay McDonald Silvester has been relieved as commander of the Third army's seventh armored division in France and is now on sick leave at his home here, it was learned today.
Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., commander of the Third army, relieved Silvester several months ago, it was said. On his return here Silvester reverted to his permanent rank of Colonel, to which he was appointed Aug. 1, 1940.

BIRTHS

MATTERNICH—To Mr. and Mrs. Grant, R. 2, Box 249, Jan. 9, 1945, a boy, 6 lbs., at Community Hospital.

AIR SERVICE SET

Reno, Nev., Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Daily airline service linking widely separated Reno and Las Vegas and intermediate points will begin March 1 and two reconverted Lockheed Lodestars will carry passengers on the route, it was announced here today.

ADD WOES OF MAILMEN

Boston.—(U.P.)—Boston letter carriers have their troubles—and then some—these days. Already overworked because of lack of manpower, the carriers have to struggle with letters addressed to Cow Pasture, the old name for Uphams Corner, Cork City (Newton Center) and Washington Village (South Boston).

MINOR CLASHES ON ITALY FRONT

Rome, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—White-clad American and German paratroopers clashed in scattered sectors of the entire 5th army front but the battle line across Italy remained unchanged, allied headquarters reported today.
"There has been no change in the forward positions on either the 5th or 8th army fronts," the daily communique said.
The Americans drove off a 30-man German "snow patrol" in the Monte Grande sector, and a U. S. patrol ran into brisk opposition near Barchetta.
An American four-man litter squad and a guide crossed no man's land by daylight under a Red Cross flag to pick up a wounded officer. They were fired on by the Germans, two litter bearers were killed, and the other two were missing.

POSTOFFICE CAFE SHORT ON POINTS

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Pensioners Asked To Finance Lobby, Assemblymen Say

Sacramento, Calif., Jan. 9.—(U.P.) State assemblymen charged today that southern California pension organizations were soliciting funds from pensioners to finance a lobby in Sacramento for the continuation of the \$50 a month old age pension rate, which expires July 1.
Although renewal of the rate is considered a certainty, the pension question arose as the two houses of the legislature settled down to routine bill introductions after listening yesterday afternoon to Gov. Earl Warren's request for enactment of a broad legislative program.

Barry Fitzgerald Freed Of Charges

Hollywood, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Screen Actor Barry Fitzgerald, who starred as a Catholic priest in "Going My Way" was acquitted today of a manslaughter charge in the traffic death of 87-year-old Mrs. Mary A. Farfar.
The charge against the elderly character actor, regarded as a certain academy award winner for his performance, should have been dismissed long ago, Superior Judge William R. McKay ruled. Fitzgerald had waived a jury trial.

WARD STAND PERILS WARTIME LAWS, CLAIM

Chicago, Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Charles Fahy, solicitor general of the United States, charged in federal court today that the refusal of Montgomery Ward and Company to comply with orders of the war labor board threatened the entire wartime structure of labor relations and imperiled the wage stabilization program.
Fahy appeared before District Judge Philip L. Sullivan to argue the government's motion for an injunction to prevent Montgomery Ward from interfering with the army's operation of 16 of the company's plants which were seized December 28 under orders of President Roosevelt for failure to accept WLB directives.

Americans have the lowest per capita cost matches in the world. The average expenditure in the U. S. is 6 mills a week or 31.2 cents a year for matches.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

(It Was Wednesday)
January 9, 1935
J. F. (Jafsie) Condon identifies Bruno Hauptmann as man with whom he conducted negotiations and paid Lindbergh kidnap ransom money.
Southern Oregon "skimped" in federal funds allowances for coming year.
Heavy fog on east coast paralyzes shipping.
Butter prices advance on Portland market.
Battle between Nazis and anti-Nazis in Saarbrücken quelled by police.
Cloudy. High 49, low 36 degrees.
Prices of pies boosted in Portland bakeries.
Bonus opponents in Senate claim enough votes to defeat measure.
Sen. Huey (Kingfish) Long of Louisiana says New Deal leaves "no hope for land."

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

January 9, 1915
(It Was Friday)
Sen. Norris attacks President Coolidge for stand of Muscle Shoals and democratic senators defend President.
Wayne Munn of Nebraska defeats Strangler Lewis for wrestling championship.
Prof. Irving Vining of Ashland is re-elected president of state chamber of commerce.
Rain. High 48, low 31 degrees.
Opposition to Mussolini in Italy checked.
Weather so cold at Prospect school house radiators freeze up, and there is three inches of snow on the ground.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY

January 9, 1911
(It Was Tuesday)
First duck is killed by airplane.
Great storm sweeps Pacific, with high wind at Portland.
Government prosecutes the "Beef Trust."

Howard Reynolds Gets Bronze Star For Army Service

With the Fifth Army, Italy—Lt. Col. Howard Reynolds of Medford, Ore., recently was awarded the bronze star for meritorious service in combat. He is commanding officer of the 1st battalion, 361st infantry regiment, 91st "Powder River" division, fighting on the 5th army front in Italy.
Reynolds was engaged in fire insurance before he entered service in February, 1941, at Hartford, Conn.
His wife, Caroline R. Reynolds, lives at 507 Haven street, Medford.

Jap-American Fails To Report To Army

Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 9.—(U.P.)—Howard Tadashi Taugawa, 25, an American born Japanese, today was arrested by police for alleged failure to report for army duty in Provo, Utah.
Officers said he had enlisted in the U. S. army reserves Oct. 11 and was to report for duty last Saturday. Found asleep in a former Japanese church, Taugawa said he had been visiting friends and had intended to report for duty. He will be turned over to army authorities.

PURCHASE OF LICENSES FOR DOGS IS UNDERWAY

Purchase of 1945 dog licenses is now underway at the county clerk's office with 73 applicants to date. The fee is \$1 per dog, irrespective of sex. After March 1, the \$2 penalty tax will be affixed. March 1 is final date for purchase of dog licenses without the penalty. Last year there were more than 4,000 dog licenses issued in this county and the dog population is not believed to have decreased.

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