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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

The home section of the newspapers of the metropolises are publishing recipes for "fritters".

The wind blew briskly yesterday causing the mud on many country roads to bite the dust.

Tomorrow is Ground Hog Day. In Germany the superstitious Nordic G-Hog, will not emerge from his hole, due to a shortage of holes for Nazi chiefs to seek refuge.

Friends of H. Wallace, who want to be secretary of commerce, claim the American public does not understand him.

All reports indicate there is barely enough snow in the high hills as of now to make a girl skiler's hands as red as if she had washed the supper dishes, let alone wet down an alfalfa field next July.

1934 JUVENILE PROBLEM
(The Dallas Chronicle)
If the town cow could be persuaded to stay at home for a few days until the coasting is over, it may save a few broken bones.

Basketball players of Brooklyn college accepted a bribe to throw a game, creating a national sports scandal. It seems there was grafting on "The Tree That Grew in Brooklyn."

The OPA is now confronted with the problem of how to lessen a surplus of hind-quarter beefsteak and cuts. The best way to lessen a surplus of beefsteaks in war or peace is to eat them.

Pussywillows now adorn living rooms. They are cut switch length, but used exclusively for decorative purposes.

The Washington state governor requests the passage of a bill permitting bars. This looks like a move to bring back the saloon that never went away, at least not far.

OTHER THAN VOTING
(Klamath Falls News-Herald)
Now another Roosevelt is criticized because a train was held up for him. Like Elliott in the dog case, he claims he didn't ask for the favor. It begins to look as if the Roosevelts had better publish a notice requesting people not to do things for them.

The Russians announce a strong desire for vengeance, as they advance upon Berlin, the main Nazi nest, and declare "they will remember everything and forget nothing". They enjoy the havoc they are wreaking in the Reich and are not awed by Teutonic threats. They oppose putting the "innocent German people" on probation to get ready for World War III.

"Notwithstanding the late Tom Marshall, what this country needs is a good 75-cent steak—well, a steak anyhow."—(Christian Science Monitor)—Also, cut as far away from the horns, as possible.

Yes or No?

To be or not to be—to have compulsory military training in this country after the war, or not to have it? That promises to be a subject for rough and tumble debate for some time, with very eminent authority on both sides.

President Roosevelt has endorsed a year of compulsory military training for all youth in the post-war period.

On Tuesday of this week however, twelve American college presidents, headed by such eminent educators and publicists as Presidents Sproul of California, Tressider of Stanford and Conant of Harvard urged the President to abandon such a program, as "both unwise and dangerous." We quote:

- 1. It is not related to the successful prosecution of the war.
2. Its adoption would be a revolutionary change in fundamental American policies, a move that would be "extremely unwise and even dangerous" until the postwar international situation is clarified.
3. Peacetime training is only one phase of a rounded defense program and "to adopt it under the stress of war and have it prove unwise might jeopardize an intelligent and long-run defense program."
4. It is impossible to "determine intelligently" the extent of defense measures that will be needed after the war, since "no one can foresee the international situation when the war is over."
5. "The people are fighting the war with high hope it will eventuate in an enduring peace. If congress should now prescribe a year of compulsory military training, the action together with the necessary accompanying measures for mobilizing industry and science would be interpreted as meaning that we must continue to live for an indefinite period in an armed camp."

As if in rebuttal for his chief, Mr. Harry Hopkins in the March "American" comes out, not only for compulsory military service but for what he calls a "perpetual allied army of occupation in Germany and Japan, to prevent these Axis countries from rearming and again seeking to conquer the world."

If this is necessary then why should President Roosevelt bother about a new post-war League to maintain world peace? If peace can only be assured by keeping armies of occupation in the enemy countries for an indefinite period then a League to enforce peace would be superfluous—surely BOTH programs would not be needed, or feasible.

WELL, all this hulabaloo for compulsory military training, as we view it, comes under the heading of one of our favorite topics—the American passion for extremes.

Only three or four years ago this country was the most pacifist large nation in the world. The one issue upon which there was practically no disagreement was that of keeping out of war—keeping out at any cost. Those who deny this and were alive four years ago should have their heads examined—the truth of the statement is written all over the front pages of the American press and the records of the national congress.

FROM that extreme the American people have now switched over to another and the exact opposite. Not only have we close to 10,000,000 men fighting in foreign lands, but we want—at least the President of the United States and his alter ego want—not only the perpetuation of a huge army and huge navy, but compulsory military service and our soldiers placed on guard in foreign lands in PERPETUITY!

Whewww—that is certainly some order! True to type, however, the ever emotional and impulsive Uncle Sam will after this war almost inevitably switch back again to the other extreme—and eventually be approximately where he started from. "We, the people," will then insist upon withdrawing our troops from Germany, Japan and all other foreign lands; we will insist upon the reduction of armaments, including our own, and we will NOT imitate the "medieval example" of decadent Europe and make universal and compulsory military service the law of the land.

At least that is our wager and if the False Friends club wishes to make anything of it let them present their propositions!

What Next?

Again we can't resist the temptation of calling attention to this war of SURPRISES—the one constant and unswerving note in the most terrible holocaust of human history.

No sooner had Germany surprised everyone—including herself perhaps—with a completely unexpected and successful offensive on the western front, than Soviet Russia then reported held up at Moscow, sprung an even greater surprise by staging the most amazing offensive in all military history—the Muscovite hordes plunging steadily ahead against a German army that a few years ago was regarded as one of the greatest armies of modern times—250 miles in less than 21 days!

NOTHING like that record has ever been approached in any war at any time, surpassing even Hitler's Blitz in France, against far less formidable opposition.

Now what will be the next surprise? The fall of Berlin? That will hardly surprise anyone.

Unconditional surrender of Germany? That WOULD.

And no surprise would be more welcome or a greater blessing to the world including Germany.

Well, lets hold the thought anyway—it can do no harm and might do some good!

Among the largest ship pro-pellers ever made in the United States are those being built by a Philadelphia foundry. They measure 22 feet in diameter, and have four blades. Weighing 70,000 pounds each, they are made of manganese-bronze. Since 1907 1,004 mountain lions have been killed in Humboldt county.

ENGINEER TELLS OF PROPOSITION FOR U. S. GOODS

Solons Hear Story of 'Deal' Offered Federal Employee For Favorable Report.

By Frederick C. Othman
United Press Staff Correspondent
Washington, Feb. 1.—(UP)—John van Ginhoven, a little guy with laryngitis, croaked his story into a senatorial microphone.

Chairman James Mead of the War Investigating Committee tossed him a cough drop, but it didn't seem to help. Everybody in the room strained to hear him, including Jacob Goldberg, a New York auctioneer whose face became scarlet and stayed that color the rest of the afternoon.

Tells His Story
I'll simply introduce John, a \$5,600-a-year engineer for the government's defense plant corp., and let him tell his tale in his own words. He'd gone to Cleveland, O. to look over a supply of surplus materials that the DPC was getting ready to sell, and there he met Goldberg and a Mr. Moss. From now on, John does the talking.

"I went upstairs in the Hotel Cleveland to see Jake Goldberg and this Mr. Moss. On the dresser were two bottles, one of liquor. The other might have been gingerale. (Chairman Mead asked if there was any ice.)

"There also was a pitcher of ice. Yes, I had something to drink. I had gingerale. We had a very pleasant conversation. Goldberg said our men were doing a marvelous job. Then he told how he had been a liquidator for years; how, when nobody else could sell thousands of army bugles after the last war, he had advertised them in Boy Scout magazines and sold them all.

Talks Big Money
"Sandwiches were brought up, and coffee Goldberg sent a suit of clothes down to be pressed and we got to talking about families and children. Goldberg said the war soon would be over, and there would be big money for engineers like me. I said I hoped so, because I wanted to buy a little farm to raise my children. He said if I wanted a mortgage maybe he could arrange it. Moss said Jake was a very smart fellow. I said I guessed I wouldn't take advantage of that offer.

"Then we got to talking about how his organization could liquidate our surplus materials. Goldberg said he needed men to select the material. He said a fellow like me didn't make much money.

Proposition Legal
He smiled benevolently. He said his proposition was strictly legal. He said he would take a number of us on his payroll. He said we should be worth \$15,000 or \$20,000 a year. His purpose was that I would recommend that his company take over The Defense Plant Corp., and then go on his payroll.

"He said he would train us. He said for me to remember that this was a big thing; that it would amount to billions. He also said to remember that I was in a position to lay stones in his way. He said I could report for him, or report against him. He said he could take care of me in a nice way, or in a nasty way. I became very much concerned."

Adverse Report
That about covers Van Ginhoven's testimony, except that he went to headquarters and urged his bosses not to have any dealings with Goldberg. Later on, he said he was amazed to learn that Goldberg was auctioning off federal properties.

Goldberg, a portly citizen with white hair and black eyebrows, squirmed on a round-bottom chair. His face, ears and neck soon turned red to catch the testimony, when Chairman Mead recessed the hearing for the day.

I asked Goldberg whether he cared to comment. He said, unsmilingly, that he did not. The hearing will continue. Goldberg will get his chance to testify.

COMMUNICATIONS
Letters to the Editor must bear the name and address of the writer although the use of a pen-name or initials for publication is permissible if the Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarity and condensation.
Playing Favorites
To the Editor: In my survey of the cigaret situation I have observed that there are plenty of cigarets, but like a lot of other items, they are for a (chosen) few.
I have walked in several stores and asked for cigarets right after some other person was seen buying them—and was told, we only sell them to regular customers."

drug store in Medford that I have not patronized in the past ten years. But they don't know me if I ask for cigarets.

They make people feel guilty to even ask for them. "Share and share alike" doesn't seem to fit into the cigaret situation. Certainly, everyone wants the soldiers to have their cigarets, but if they are so badly needed by soldiers, why do some folks at home receive as many as five cartons of cigarets from a soldier.

It doesn't make sense to me, why can one person buy them and not another?
Some stores have bacon, but only for their friends or regular customers. They have bacon hidden like they have cigarets and chocolate bars hidden.

J. J. Lowden,
Central Point, Ore.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Feb. 1.—(UP)—Livestock—Cattle, 280; calves, 25; market active, steady to strong, common to medium steers \$10.50@14.25; heifers \$9.50@12; canner and cutter cows \$8@8; fat dairy-type cows \$9@10; good bulls \$11.75@12; common bulls, \$8.50. Good choice vealers, \$13.50@15.

Hogs, 250, total 500, market active, steady, good to choice 170-270 lbs. \$15.75; 225-225 lbs. \$14.50@15; good sows \$13.75@14; good to choice feeder pigs, quotable at \$15@16.50. Sheep, 100; market and quotable, steady, good to choice, trucked-in lambs salable \$14.75@15; good to choice ewes salable \$7.25.

Chicago, Feb. 1.—(UP)—(WFA)—Livestock—Cattle, 10,000; early clearance, good and choice 150 lbs. and over \$14.75, ceiling; 140-160 lbs. \$14.25 to \$14.75; cows \$14. Chicago, Feb. 1.—(UP)—(WFA)—Livestock—Cattle, 10,000; early clearance, good and choice 150 lbs. and over \$14.75, ceiling; 140-160 lbs. \$14.25 to \$14.75; cows \$14. Chicago, Feb. 1.—(UP)—(WFA)—Livestock—Cattle, 10,000; early clearance, good and choice 150 lbs. and over \$14.75, ceiling; 140-160 lbs. \$14.25 to \$14.75; cows \$14.

Portland Produce

Portland, Feb. 1.—(UP)—Wholesale produce market: Eggs—To retailers, AA, extra large 50c; AA, large 48c; A, large 46c; A, medium 43c; small (pullets) 39c.

Chicago Wheat
Chicago, Feb. 1.—(UP)—Wheat: May—\$1.15 1/2; July—\$1.13 1/2; Sept.—\$1.11 1/2; Dec.—\$1.09 1/2.

S. F. DAIRY PRICES

San Francisco, Feb. 1.—(UP)—Dairy Market: Butter: 93 score 43, 92 score 42 1/2, 90 score 42 1/4, 89 score 41 3/4.

Wall Street

New York, Feb. 1.—(UP)—Stocks advanced today under the leadership of the peace issues, notably the utilities which reached a new high in the average since August 31, 1937.

Utilities featured not only in strength but also in volume. The whole group turned up. Columbia Gas led in turnover with heavy volume also in American Power, Commonwealth & Southern United Corp., American Water Works, Engineers Public Service, Consolidated Edison, Laclede Gas, National Power, and Public Service of New Jersey. These had net gains ranging from more than a point. Market experts pointed out that utilities would benefit substantially in peace because it would bring lower taxes without reduction in rates.

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes American Tel. & Tel., Anaconda, Chrysler, Curtiss Wright, General Electric, Montgomery Ward, Penn. R. R., Phillips Petroleum (XD), J. C. Penney, Radio, Southern Pacific, Standard Oil of Cal., Texas Gulf Sulphur, Transamerica, United Aircrafts, U. S. Rubber, U. S. Steel.

BIRTHS

YOUNG—To Mr. and Mrs. Walter J., 310 E. Main, January 31, 1945, a boy, 8 1/2 lbs., at Sacred Heart hospital.

HOLCOMB—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert G., Shady Cove, January 31, 1945, a boy, 9 1/2 lbs., at Sacred Heart hospital.

TEDRICK—To Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, 808 W. Main, January 31, 1945, a girl, 6 lbs., at Community hospital.

SCRUGHAM RETURNS
Washington, Feb. 1.—(UP)—Sen. James G. Scrugham, (D Nev.) absent from the senate for many weeks because of illness, appeared in his seat today and cast a vote for immediate consideration of the Wallace nomination.

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LOCAL SPORTSMEN ORGANIZE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE

The Jackson county chapter of the Izaak Walton league was organized at a meeting attended by 73 members at the Knights of Pythias hall last night.

The local chapter is affiliated with the national organization and the Oregon state chapter and will cooperate with the Oregon state game commission in opposition to high dams on popular angling and recreational streams and the continued stream pollution in the state.

Many Attend
Attending the meeting were John Ebinger, president; Kenneth McLeod, secretary, and Albert Harris, director, of the Klamath Falls chapter of the league, and E. S. Hughes, president; "Slim" Bartlett, vice president; Bruce Terrell, secretary; Mrs. L. Smith, treasurer; Allan Wilcoxson, past-president; Ex-Senator Wiperman and 24 other members of the Grants Pass chapter.

Addressing the meeting were Presidents Ebinger and Hughes and State Game Commissioner Kenneth G. Denman, representing the commission, all of whom gave outlines of what may be expected on a number of Oregon streams if all the proposed government plans for damming of streams and diversion of water and power plant construction are carried out.

Most Drastic
Among the most drastic was said to be the contemplated diversion of the Klamath river at a point near Keno to take the river through a series of canals and a tunnel through the mountains, delivering it into the Pitt river in California. There it would flow into the Sacramento for storage behind the Shasta dam, where the government is short of water to come up to the reclamation bureau's estimates before the dam's construction.

Commissioner Denman gave a brief outline of the proposals for high dams on Rogue river and the results that would be achieved, stating that the game commission knew from experience on other similar projects that all migratory fish runs would be destroyed by the plan.

Rogue River
Pointing out that Rogue river was valuable not only as a world famous angling stream, but also for the many miles of river frontage that would be destroyed for outdoor recreational use, he said the proposed dams would submerge all the property near Shady Cove to a point well above the mouth of Big Butte Creek.

He said the proposed rerouting of the Crater Lake highway would prevent travelers from seeing Rogue river between Gold Hill and a point near Florence Rock.

Stressing the point that the game commission and conservationists had no desire to deprive agriculture of securing irrigation water, Denman pointed out the greater value of the recreational advantages from the Rogue river, and suggested some of the other plans of the bureau of reclamation for water from smaller reservoirs constructed in other locations be used.

Pictures Shown
After the dinner, served by the ladies of the Knights of Pythias, motion pictures in color were shown.

The chapter plans to expand its membership to include the conservation minded people of Jackson county and will hold its monthly meetings in Ashland and Medford.

The following officers were elected: Dr. C. H. Paske, president; Larkin Grub, Ashland, vice-president; T. E. Daniels, second vice-president; William Lingas, secretary; Lawrence Duff, treasurer; Harry Elden, Central Point; E. S. Corthell, Ashland, General Ralph P. Cowgill, Portland, V. A. Norris and Cliff Chord, Medford, directors.

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

February 1, 1935
(It Was Friday)
Leader of fight against Sen. Huey Long dictatorship in Louisiana arrested.

Cloudy. High 62, low 33 degrees.

Pacific Highway resurfacing to start when weather permits.

Spring fashions for women to show more color and glitter.

Chemawa and Medford high quints to play two game series.

William A. Gates addresses Rotarian club at Grants Pass.

Russia ready for war is boast of her military leaders.

Portland cuts more than 1,000 names from relief list.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

February 1, 1925
(It Was Sunday)
Bill is introduced in legislature giving city right to obtain water from Big Butte Springs.

Allies move to prevent war between Turkey and Greece.

Floyd Collins, pinioned by rock since last Friday in Kentucky cave excites sympathy of nation. All attempts to rescue fail.

Cooler with rain. High 51, low 41 degrees.

Federal prohibition enforcement office here moved to Roseburg.

Clinton N. Howard, noted speaker on world peace to visit city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gates visit Ashland today.

Onions sell at \$4 per sack in Portland, highest in the land.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY

February 1, 1911
(It Was Wednesday)
Eagle Point is incorporated.

Former sparring partner of Battling Nelson to fight Frankie Edwards at Nat next week.

Claud Miles advertises 40 acres of pears at \$200 per acre.

PARENTS RECEIVE AIR MEDAL FOR LT. APPLIGATE

An air medal and two oak leaf clusters were presented Tuesday evening to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Applegate, 516 Palm street, in the name of their son, First Lt. Donald W. Applegate, now a prisoner of war of the Germans. Presentation of the awards was made by Capt. O. M. Smith, commander of the Medford air base.

Lt. Applegate has been a prisoner since April 13, 1944, his plane having been shot down during an army air force raid over Hungary. He went overseas in January, 1944. The lieutenant graduated from Medford high school in 1935.

The citation accompanying the medal and clusters reads: "For meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy from March 15, 1944, to April 13, 1944, inclusive."

Machine tool shipments during November by 199 firms showed a 1.9 per cent decrease under October shipments. November shipments were valued at \$36,803,000 as compared with \$37,516,000 in October.

HUNS HATE CANDY -- AS SERVED UP BY YANKEE CREW

Candy was named after "Candy" about six months ago somewhere in England—Candy being a B-17 bomber on which Sgt. Warren Newton of Independence, Ore., is a gunner—and the latter being the sergeant's 6-months-old daughter "Candy," nickname for Candace, who is visiting with her mother in Medford this week.

After Sgt. Newton received notification of his daughter's birth, he and his fellow crew members of the B-17 dubbed their Flying Fortress "Candy"—and painted the name in glaring letters on the bomber's belly.

Candy is a familiar sight cruising over Nazi Germany, having won Newton an aerial medal and sending several crew members home after completing the required number of missions.

However, familiar as Candy is to the Huns, she's not their favorite dish as she dishes out another load of Yankee explosives with Yankee enthusiasm from a ship that owes its name to a tiny American tot in Oregon who never has seen her daddy.

DISCHARGE BUTTON PENNY - PINCHING MAKESHIFT, CLAIM

Washington, Feb. 1.—(UP)—Rep. John D. Dingell, D. Mich., today urged the House to insist that the war department issue a more distinctive discharge button "worthy of the patriotism, valor and sacrifice" of the country's veterans.

He accused the war department of penny-pinching in issuing to veterans of World War II buttons which he described as "a cheap plastic imitation of what ought to be a real mark of distinction."

Dingell reminded his listeners that beneath a toll-greased shirt, may be found the indelible scar of a German or Jap bayonet or bullet.

Although the button was intended to protect returning servicemen and women from jibes, it achieves just the opposite effect, he continued.

"The reasons are obvious," Dingell said, "the discharge button is too small, indistinctive and inexcusably cheap. Instead of being made of bronze or other suitable metal, it is a gilded plastic mould, about on par with products heretofore made in Japan."

Closing time for Classified Ads 9 a. m. — Too Late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

Notice of Final Settlement
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County. In the Matter of the Estate of LUTHER HARMON, deceased. The undersigned has filed in the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, the final account of her administration of the above estate, and said Court has fixed the 3rd day of March, 1945, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the County Court Room in the Jackson County Court House, at Medford, Oregon, as the time and place for the settlement of said estate. All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified and required to make of file their objections to said final account, if any they have, on or before the time aforesaid fixed for the hearing and settlement thereof. Date of this notice and the first publication thereof is January 25, 1945.

HAZEL SANFORD,
Administratrix.
O. H. BENGTSON,
Attorney for Administratrix.

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