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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

A woman's page editor reports new brides are "notoriously inept at preparing pancake batter." They forge a pancake, one of their own biscuits, under jet propulsion, cannot penetrate, it is hinted.

Rejoicing over the liberation of Manila by American forces, from the claws of the Japanese, promptly brought forth an official wet blanket for any and all optimism. Washington warned, the glorious and crushing victory, would cause the foe to fight longer and harder.

"What would all the boys who turn their dungarees up say if their mamas made them do it." —Maxine Buren in Salem (Statesman) — Not to mention, what their girl friends who turn them up higher, would say.

The Russians have crossed the Oder, the last natural defense line of Berlin. This will cause any number of wise-cracks, in the press and on the air, that will cause the listener and reader to say: Phew!

The legislature yesterday discussed the pronunciation of "Hatus." Constituents have started figuring the legislators should come home, and cause a hiatus in Salem.

ADVICE TO THE FAIR (The Dalles Chronicle)
"The floor of the opera house being perfectly level, at the best it is difficult to get a good view of the stage. This being the case, the ladies who go to see the Tittle sisters tonight, and who wear the smallest hats, are going to meet with the heartiest commendation from the gentlemen. If at the same time the balloon sleeves could be razed it would prove of great advantage. Leave the big hats at home, and give the downtrodden men a chance to see." — (50 years ago Col.)

Congress is still agitated about the "A" priority for plane travel by Elliott's dog, whereby three service men were kicked off an army transport. The august body wants to know who caused its issuance. Incidentally, was the party responsible elected or appointed to anything.

The army wants aged typewriters. The veteran word-grinder on which these lines are written will never pass. Its "A" fails to respond to a peck most of the time, and its "H" is out of kilter, therefore won't print AHI promptly.

"For all we know, there may be a few good teen-age Germans—the ones who flunked the course in juvenile delinquency." —(S. F. Chronicle) — Sounds plausible.

A New York city housewife charged her mate with heaving a five-pound steak at her. This is almost as vulgar a disregard of rationing, as the native walking down the main stem, with a pound of butter in one hand, and three packages of cigarettes in the other.

GETS THE WORKS
"He had just been notified that his number was next, and his fellow workers gave a dinner. The master of ceremonies arose to his feet, and after a lengthy eulogy got around to presenting the guest of honor with mementos from his friends: "The contents of this"—holding up a handsome billfold—"may in time disappear. But"—holding up a watch, "here is something that will never go." —(American Analyst)

It Can't Be Done, Unless—

A bill has been introduced at Salem which would COMPEL the Board of Higher Education to take over the privately owned Portland Dental School and operate it.

We trust this measure will be defeated unless—The Legislature also appropriates at least \$200,000 or \$300,000 annually to finance such an operation. In which case we could see no objection.

For this educational problem like most others in this state, ultimately comes down to matter of plain dollars and cents.

You can't do much in education—or in anything else—without it, and without ENOUGH of it.

THE PLAIN truth is the Board of Higher Education simply hasn't the money to take over the Dental School and properly operate it, under the present financial set-up.

The school would, it is claimed, be a gift and self-supporting. The first is true, the second isn't.

For several years at least the Board of Education would have to put more money into the operation of a dental school, than could possibly be taken out. Proper standards could not otherwise be maintained. And certainly no one with the interests of higher education in this state at heart, would favor the state operation of a SUB-STANDARD school—dental or any other!

THE Post-war educational load in this state is going to be terrific. Only those who have studied the problem have any conception of its extent and its seriousness.

Wisely anticipating the gravity of the problem, from the standpoint of a physical plant alone, the Board asked this Legislature for appropriations of approximately \$2,500,000 for new buildings and equipment. Governor Snell cut that sum down to approximately \$1,000,000. And now the Legislature insists that the Board with REDUCED funds take over the ADDED expense and responsibility of a Dental School!

IT SIMPLY can't be done!

We can't have our cake and eat it too. We can't as a state extend our educational responsibilities tremendously on one hand, and reduce our financial support of education on the other.

Let the Legislature do either one of two things! Approve an adequate post-war educational program and give the Board of Higher Education the funds absolutely NECESSARY to carry it out; or disprove such a program, on the ground either that it isn't essential, or that the state of Oregon can't afford it—and then forget it!

Either stand would make sense. To decrease the funds for higher education and insist upon extending the inescapable costs of it DOESN'T!

Let the Soldiers Vote

Yesterday we published an editorial from "Dead Eye Features" an illustrated tabloid published by General Bradley's 96th Division "somewhere in the South Pacific," which deserves an added word of comment.

For the editorial was unusual in many ways. In the first place it opposed universal military service after the war.

In the second place it opposed the continuation of large armies and navies as well as the militaristic tradition, and favored a program of gradual international disarmament.

Thirdly the writer was a private soldier in the war zone.

ONE usually associates such beliefs with civilians, or 4-F's, or Women's Study clubs, or conscientious objectors, or anyone but a fighting G.I. in the ranks.

How come? We don't know the answer to that one. We don't know whether or not the sentiments expressed by the writer, Private Kahl, are at all representative of the 96th or the U. S. army.

HOWEVER that may be, the editorial was an extremely interesting one, well-phrased, carefully reasoned, and does pretty effectively dispose of the common belief that when the veterans of World War No. II return they will be UNANIMOUS for turning this country into an armed camp.

And that brings up another point—when the veterans of this war DO return.

THIS much is certain.

In an important question of this sort, compulsory military service, which will so vitally effect the future of this country and the future of these young men and their children who have given their all to defend and preserve it; no final decision should be made in which they can not as voters participate.

THERE is a disposition in certain quarters to capitalize on the prevailing war psychology, and before Uncle Sam has had a chance to cool off, quiet down and gain a rational perspective, rush the country into a complicated and expensive program of continuing militarism.

Every right-thinking citizen should oppose anything of that sort! Perhaps conditions will be such at the close of this war that compulsory military service will be necessary and desirable. We don't know. No one does.

But we DO know that whatever the ultimate decision—or the conditions may be—no final action should be taken when the boys now overseas can not take part in it.

BENGTSON SEEKS VIEWS ON BILLS; COPIES RECEIVED

Copies of three house bills, Nos. 83, 234 and 232, on which Representative O. H. Bengtson wishes an expression of opinion from residents of the county, arrived in Medford this morning.

Bills 83 and 234 deal with the handling of dairy stock and milk or milk products. Bill 83, introduced by Rep. Duniway and known as the "Oregon Raw Milk Act" provides that the department of agriculture shall have its inspectors give the tuberculin and Bang's disease tests twice each year to all cows supplying milk to Oregon residents and that the inspectors shall remove all animals failing to pass the tests.

Penalty Provided

No. 83 further provides fines for persons knowingly supplying milk from cows suffering from tuberculosis or any other disease and also provides that the state department of agriculture inspectors inoculate every milk bull calf or heifer within eight months of birth against Bang's disease and to tag animals so tested. It would be unlawful under the bill to sell milk from or expose for service any untagged animals after July, 1947.

Another provision of bill 83 would prohibit the sale of unpasteurized milk unless it is bottled on the premises where it is produced under certain specified conditions or unless it is delivered to creameries or factories in bulk where it is to be made into cheese or pasteurized before use. Provision is made for marking of all milk containers and makes it obligatory for physicians treating a case of undulant fever to obtain from the patient information on his milk supply.

H. B. 234, introduced by Representatives Chindgren, Greenwood, Hesse, Moore, Himelwright and Condit and Sen. Walsh two weeks after H. B. 83, would require the pasteurization of milk and milk products and for the licensing of pasteurization operators but excepts milk and milk products from disease-free herds and further makes it unlawful to repasteurize milk or to mark unpasteurized milk as pasteurized. A disease-free herd is defined as any herd of cows or goats which has been officially tested for tuberculosis and Bang's disease by a veterinarian approved by the department during the six-months period prior to the effective date of the act and found to be free of the diseases. The department of agriculture is charged with enforcement of the act.

Compensation Provided

H. B. 232 provides for a compulsory system of compensation for injuries to or death of employees, including compensation for occupational diseases, and for continuance of the authority of the chairman and members of the industrial accident commission as already set up by Oregon law. Domestic and "casual" employees, volunteer firemen, certain peace officers and salaried firemen, farm employees and certain designated others are excepted from the act. The bill provides that compensation for disability shall not exceed \$25 per week or be less than \$8 per week, with certain exceptions, and that the employer shall furnish medical and surgical treatment, nurse and hospital service, medicine and apparatus for such period as the nature of the injury or the process of recovery may require.

Copies On File

In case of total disability adjudged to be permanent, 66 2/3 per cent of the average weekly wages shall be paid to the employee during the continuance of the disability, according to the bill, and the same would be paid in cases of disability total in character but temporary in quality. Total compensation payable under the act would be \$7,500, the bill states. Various provisions are made for permanent partial disability. The 64-page bill contains many other provisions for administration, definition of beneficiaries and other terms and other relevant material. Copies of the bill are on file at the library and Chamber of Commerce in Medford, at the library in Ashland and with librarians, city recorders or postmasters in smaller towns of the county. Bengtson states that he is anxious to hear from voters by letters, wire or phone.

DENIES EXPECTANCY

Hollywood, Feb. 6.—(UP)—Screen Star Faye Emerson, who married the president's second son, Col. Elliott Roosevelt last December, said today there was "absolutely no truth" to reports she was expecting a child next summer. She has one son, William Wallace Crawford III, by a previous marriage.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify \$30 Saturday Afternoon—Please remember.

Filipinos Hail Manila-Bound Yanks



Jubilant, cheering Filipinos enthusiastically hail these American tanks speeding toward Manila to liberate the Philippines capital exactly three years, one month and one day after its capture by Japanese forces on Jan. 2, 1942. Signal Corps photo.

KLAMATH RIVER DIVERSION PLAN UP TO RESIDENTS

Sacramento, Feb. 6.—(UP)—State Sen. Randolph Collier, R., Yreka, today said that a legislative committee he heads was told by Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Robbins, deputy chief of the army corps of engineers, that no diversion of the Klamath river would be attempted if it were opposed by the people of the region.

Collier said he and other members of a committee investigating plans for diversion of the Klamath into the Sacramento met informally with Gen. Robbins yesterday.

People to Prevail Robbins, Collier said, declared that the people of the section concerned would be given ample opportunity to be heard on diversion plans and that the "will of the people would prevail in arriving at any decision."

Collier said he told Robbins that residents of the northern counties are unanimously opposed to diversion of the Klamath. Study of the Klamath was authorized by a 1937 congressional act, Robbins told the committee, but under a newly-enacted law army engineer investigations must be cleared through state authorities before being presented to congress for approval.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Feb. 6.—(UP)—Livestock—Cattle, 200; calves, 35. Quality less desirable. Steady. Common medium steers \$11.00 to \$12.00. Cutter heifers \$8.20. Canner-cutter cows \$6.50 to \$7.50. Fat dairy type cows \$2.50 to \$3.50. Good beef cows up to \$11.50. Good-choice vealers \$14.00 to \$15.00. Hogs, 100. Few early sales fully steady. Good-choice above 175 lbs. \$13.75; few 153-170 lbs. \$14.20 to \$15.00. Good sows \$13.75 to \$14.00. Feeder pigs saleable \$13 to \$15.00. Sheep, 100. Quotable steady. Good-choice Nevada cows \$12.50 sort up to \$13.25. Good ewes saleable \$6.50 to \$7.00.

South San Francisco, Feb. 6.—(UP)—(USDA)—Cattle, 150. Active, fully steady. Late Monday half car good 1,100-lb. fed steers \$16.50, new recent high. Package good and medium short fed heifers \$14.25. Around 985-lb. medium Nevada cows \$12.50 sort up to \$13.25. Canner and cutters mostly \$8 to \$9. Half load medium to good bulls \$12.50. Calves, 40. About 50c to \$1 higher. Around 40 head medium to good 148-lb. Nevada vealers \$18, new recent high. Hogs, 150. Firm. Good 180-270-lb. sows and gilts \$13.75. Good sows, \$15. Sheep, 850. Steady. Broad demand. About four decks medium to good lambs offered, good to choice quoted \$18.50. Few good ewes \$9 sorted 15 per cent at \$8.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—(UP)—(WFA)—Hogs, 12,000. Good clear-choice, good and choice 160 lbs. and up \$14.75 ceiling; 140-160 lbs. \$14.25; 120-140 lbs. \$13.75. Cattle, 13,000. Calves, 1,000. Good and choice fed steers and yearlings top \$17; bulk \$14 to \$16; heifers best \$15.25; most beef cows \$9 to \$13; top \$13; cutters \$8.50 down. Sheep, 9,000. Load Colorado head at \$16.65; low-medium to mostly good fed lambs \$16. Load good and choice yearlings \$14.

Portland Produce

Portland, Feb. 6.—(UP)—Wholesale produce market: Peas—Imperial \$4.50 to \$4.75 per 28-lb. hamper.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, Feb. 6.—(UP)—Wheat: Open High Low Close May \$1.53 \$1.53 \$1.52 \$1.53; July \$1.55 \$1.55 \$1.54 \$1.55; Sept. \$1.54 \$1.54 \$1.53 \$1.54; Dec. \$1.54 \$1.55 \$1.54 \$1.54.

S. F. DAIRY PRICES

San Francisco, Feb. 6.—(UP)—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 4 1/4, large grade B 4 1/4, medium grade A 4 1/4, small grade A 3 7/8.

Wall Street

New York, Feb. 6.—(UP)—Railroad shares led a rise on the stock market today. Volume lightened from last week's pace. Demand for the carriers was said to have been based on belief the rails were behind the market. Rising prices for the rails inspired some buying in other sec-

MALLON ON VACATION

"News Behind the News," Paul Mallon's Washington, D. C., news letter, will be resumed next week. Mr. Mallon is taking a two-week vacation.

Leading industrial issues, however, gained only small amounts and a few of them showed declines. A large number of utilities rose to lift the average to a new top since August 25, 1937.

Atlantic Coast Line, an outstanding feature of the rail section, rose more than two points. Norfolk & Western was up a point. Today's closing prices on selected stocks: American Tel. & Tel. 162 1/4; Anaconda 31 3/4; Chrysler 98 1/2; Curtiss Wright 6; General Electric 39 1/4; General Motors 65 1/2; Montgomery Ward 50 3/4; Penn. R. R. 35 3/4; Phillips Petroleum 47; J. C. Penney 110; Radio 12 1/2; Southern Pacific 40 3/4; Standard Oil of California 40; Texas Gulf Sulphur 38 1/4; Transamerica 11 1/4; United Aircrafts 30 1/4; U. S. Rubber 56 7/8; U. S. Steel 61 3/4.

INSTRUCTIONS ON MAIL FOR FREED INTERNEES GIVEN

Miss Lillian M. Roberts, home service secretary of Jackson county chapter, American Red Cross, today received a message from area headquarters, San Francisco, telling how families may get in touch with American and Allied civilians liberated in the Philippines.

"Mail may be addressed by writers as follows: Name of individual American Red Cross, Civilian War relief section, APO 442 care Postmaster, San Francisco. Every effort will be made by Red Cross representative to deliver such mail. This mail should be sent directly by family.

"Families of liberated prisoners of war may send one twenty-five word message via Western Union addressed to Adjutant General, attention Casualty Branch, Room 3050 Munitions Building, Washington, D. C. These will be forwarded by army wireless.

"Released persons are routinely interviewed by military intelligence officers for available information regarding other persons known or thought to be in enemy hands and any information thus obtained transmitted by military authorities to families."

FAT IN FILM

Used kitchen fat helps make picture film and printing ink for V-Mail, newsreels and service newspapers. Save every drop of used cooking fat. Turn it over to the meat dealer immediately. It's worth four cents and two red ration points a pound.

FAT PRODUCTION LESS

The need for used fat is still critical. Best estimates indicate that U. S. production of fats and oils in the crop year 1944-45 will be 1.3 billion pounds under that of the current year. Housewives are urged to save and turn in every drop of used cooking fat.

ACOUSTICON FOR BETTER HEARING S. C. Mitchell, Dealer LITHIA HOTEL Ashland—Wednesday, Feb. 7—1 to 8 P. M.

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 6, 1935 (It was Wednesday) Council accepts bids for widening of East Main street.

The Byrd Antarctic expedition boards ship for return home. Cloudy and foggy. High 67, low 42 degrees.

Drastic changes in milk code killed in legislature. Plumber witness supports Bruno Hauptmann on kidnap ladder alibi.

Legislature receives 15 PWA proposals to aid relief in state. Active club proposes radio for city police.

Merchants enjoy dinner and dance by ladies of Phoenix Grange.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY February 6, 1925 (It was Friday) Hungarian pheasants to be liberated in county.

January rainfall 1.70 inches below normal for recent years. Planning commission at meeting discuss new high school plans.

Rain. High 51, low 36 degrees. New auto headlight law favored by state senate.

Up to noon, predicted end of world today fails to materialize. President Coolidge orders American delegates to world drug conference to come home.

Bride-to-be of Floyd Collins, trapped in Kentucky gives up hope of rescue.

Willamette valley flood threat checked by cold snap.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY February 6, 1911 (It was Monday) County agent warns orchardists not to plant trees in rain.

County court gives \$1,000 towards Crater Lake road fund. Local fishermen off for Salem to fight protest with legislature on new fish bill.

MAURICE SAMPLE KILLED IN ACTION IS WORD TO WIFE

Lt. Maurice J. Sample, 29, son of Mrs. Muriel C. Sample, of 306 N. Peach street, reported missing in action last September, has been reported killed in action, according to his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Sample.

Lt. Sample was first pilot on a B-17 bomber, stationed in England. His ship and crew were reported missing after a raid over Germany last September 23, she said. Later the other nine members of the bomber crew were reported prisoners of war in Germany.

Despite the war department report of Lt. Sample's death, his wife said she believes it may be erroneous, basing her belief on a short wave broadcast from a German prison camp which was heard by three persons in this country who relayed the information to Mrs. Sample. Her husband's co-pilot spoke on the broadcast and stated all of the crew had landed safely.

Mrs. Sample, the former Elizabeth Bittle of Medford, and their small daughter, Betty, are living at present with Lt. Sample's mother, Mrs. Muriel Sample, in Medford.

A brother of Lt. Sample, Sgt. Earl Sample, is in France, also with the air corps, while Mrs. Sample has two brothers, Cpl. John Bittle, now in Italy, and Pfc. Bill Bittle, a gunnery instructor stationed in Denver, Colo., in the service.

Lt. Sample holds the Purple Heart award, which was sent to his wife recently, and had been overseas since July, 1944.

FIREMEN CALLED ON FALSE ALARM

A general alarm turned in to the local fire department at midnight last night was labeled a false alarm today by Fire Chief Roy Elliott. The alarm which roused the sleeping populace was turned in for the Victory Cafe, 42 South Central.

Upon investigation of the call, the fire department found no evidence of fire or disturbance at that address, they said today. Elliott declared there is a severe penalty under the local fire ordinance for turning in a false fire alarm and that the department is searching today for the guilty parties.

U. S. NEEDS FAT

Our annual fat salvage goal of 230 million pounds will be equivalent to the oil produced from 1,082,353 acres of peanuts, or 1,503,267 acres of soybeans. War Food Administration asks housewives to save every drop of used cooking fat.

CONSERVE FATS: WFA "It's up to us all, — farmers, housewives, industry and all," says War Food Administration, "to keep on producing and conserving fats. We've got to have all the fats and oils we can get — and more."

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