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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

An early bid for peace from Japan would not surprise Wash-

ington, observers say. They bet-

ter look out for a sneak sur-

render.

Among the letter writers to the

esteemed Oregonian, an argu-

ment is raging over the use of

the words, "shall" and "will".

It will probably all boil down to

"can do".

Wild flower lovers seeking

lamb tongues in his meadow,

picked some of his lamb chops,

a country cousin reports.

Today is Tuesday the 13th.

Up to the hour of going to

press, no black cat has caused

an accident.

The pre-war patent medicine

ad: "East Beefsteak any Time"

has disappeared due to the war,

and shortage of beefsteaks in

trying pan sizes.

"Big shepherd dog: must have

large bushy tail that wags con-

stantly for sweeping purposes

at Mayfair Hotel. Maids have

gone to war."—(Grand Island

(Neb.) Independent).—Crisis on

the home front.

It rained yes, as if all the

farmers had hay down, and

Lodge brothers wearing three-

cornered hats with ostrich

feathers, were staging a parade

in town.

BESIDE THE POINT

(New York Sun)

"The oddest character in

this office is shocked, not by

the fact there is gambling on

basketball games, but by the

fact that a trip of 700 miles

to play a game is not looked

upon as non-essential."

The post-war home will be

composed of glass and plastic

gadgets, movable walls and beds

that disappear, with the occu-

pants out of them, of course,

advance notices say. The air

will be cooled and heated, ac-

cording to the season and, even

Join the Chamber

The Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, faced with the important task of building post-war pay-

rolls, bringing self-sustaining settlers to this area, stimulating tourist travel and improving transporta-

tion facilities here, is seeking widened support through a membership drive in this community.

And the work of the chamber, past and present, well deserves increased support. It will be recalled that this organization was mainly responsible for bringing Camp White and the ordnance repair shops to Jackson County—both highly important factors in the economic well-being of this area in recent years.

IT IS simply a matter of self-interest for business, professional, agricultural and industrial people to support the chamber, both with their memberships and with active assistance in meeting immediate and post-war problems facing this county.

First of all, the chamber is seeking settlers who can earn a good livelihood and contribute to the economic welfare of this area. Boisterous booster-type ballyhoo to lure hundreds of "squirrel ranchers" has gone by the board in the chamber's new-settler program.

We want substantial, prosperous farms, ranches and dairies, and contemplated extension of irrigation will provide good land for these profitable operations.

These new settlers will mean new customers for business and professional people.

GREATER emphasis than ever before will be placed upon tourist travel after the war, and those who visit this vacationland to match their skill with the wiley steelhead or gaze upon the beauties of Crater Lake's "sapphire sea" will bring thousands of dollars to flow through the arteries of trade here.

SOUTHERN OREGON'S great virgin forests offer opportunities for wood processing industries which will rival the firmly entrenched and economically important fruit and agricultural payrolls. Smaller industries, with their needed jobs, are likewise sought for southern Oregon's expanded economy.

Good roads, improved air, bus and rail transportation—these, too, are the goal of the chamber in months and years to come.

YES, there is much to be done, and the greater the support of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, the greater will be the growth and prosperity of this area when the clouds of war lift. Membership in the Jackson County Chamber is an investment certain to pay dividends for all—and a real badge of community service.

—H.G.

Boy Scout Week

National Boy Scout Week should not pass without some word of commendation for the valuable contributions of this organization to youth training and constructive, responsible citizenship, here and throughout the world.

Charles Dudley Warner once said that "one of the best things in the world is to be a boy; it requires no experience, but needs some practice to be a good one." Scouting seems to provide an excellent avenue for the best kind of practice.

THE very spirit of the Boy Scouts calls for a sharing of common ideals, of unselfish service to others, of good sportsmanship, tolerance and respect of all races, creeds and color. It was only natural that Mussolini and Hitler would abolish scouting in their countries in favor of their heel-clicking, hate-fostering youth programs.

MORE than twelve million men who have played a gallant role in peace and in war have learned the lessons of self-reliance and resourcefulness from the great adventure of scouting. Great leaders such as Admiral King, Admiral Nimitz and General Arnold tell us that men who have had this training are better equipped to win out over the enemy and the elements. They should know.

SCOUTING, with nearly two million active members, is one of the most potent forces in the Nation today in the fight against juvenile delinquency. Scouts actively contribute to the war effort in salvage drives and other vitally necessary work. Youngsters, whose lives have been enriched by the experience of scouting, have become better boys, better men, better citizens. Their devotion to the high ideals of this organization cannot help but become a factor in building a better world in the trying post-war days of reconstruction.

IT must be the youth of today—the tolerant law-respecting, freedom-loving men of tomorrow, who must destroy the hatreds and misunderstandings from which arise the persecution and abuse of minorities. With them lies the hope of peace and world-wide good-will in years ahead.

That is why America salutes her Boy Scouts and wants their organization to flourish.

—H.G.

VALENTINE DANCE SET FOR MARKADE WEDNESDAY NIGHT

A valentine dance will be given at the Markade tomorrow evening the director announced today. Dancing will be from 8 until 11 o'clock and the Markade hostesses and wives of servicemen are invited to attend.

The SCU band will furnish music for dancing and valentine favors made by Junior Red Cross members of the Griffin Creek school will be distributed. Cakes for refreshments are being provided by women of St. Mark's Episcopal church.

Last night the monthly hostess supper was held at the center, with 26 hostesses present. Three servicemen served. They were Robert Weatherford, S. 1/c, and Melvin L. Olgers, S. 1/c, both of San Francisco and visiting in Medford, and Pfc. Orville Thorsheim of Camp White.

Sunday night a group of servicemen from Camp White cooked and served a spaghetti dinner inviting the director, Mrs. Ruth Boyd, and other friends as guests. Thirty-six people were served. In charge of the dinner were Bennie Accordi and M. M. Mariega.

BOND REDEMPTION SHOWS DECREASE

Conversion of series "E", "F" and "G" bonds into cash has steadily declined since inauguration of the new redemption plan according to a statement issued to county bond sales

chairmen from Secretary Morgenthau. The percentage of redemption has declined from 1.18 per cent in October of 1944 to .89 per cent for January, the statement declares.

"This reduction in the percentage of redemptions reflects an increased realization on the part of the American people of the soundness of the treasury's advocated policy to "buy and hold war bonds," Mr. Morgenthau observed in announcing the figures.

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Feb. 13.—(UP)—Livestock: Cattle, 200; calves, 50. Active on lower grades; fully steady. Good-fed cows \$14@14.50. Fat dairy type cows to \$10.25. Good bulls up to \$12.25. Good weaners \$14@14.50; choice \$16@16.50.

Hogs, 100. Steady with demand broad. Good-choice 170-250 lbs. \$10.75. Good-fed \$14@14.50. Feeder pigs salable \$15@16.

Sheep, 100. Quotable steady. Good-choice trucked-in lambs salable around \$15. For one load fed lambs. Good ewes salable \$7@7.25.

South San Francisco, Feb. 13.—(UP)—Cattle, 100. Generally steady. Monday, local good and choice 12@12.50. Fat steers \$17@17.50. Several loads good light steers \$18@18.25, medium steers \$15. Today largely sheep stock run, mostly common cows \$9.50@10.50. Cannera and cutters \$8@9. Common to good bulls \$10@12; calves \$10. Odd weaners \$15.

Hogs, 100. Few packers; 160-240-lb. barrows and gilts \$15.75. Odd good sows \$15.

Sheep, 250. Nominal; Monday two deers good and choice woolled lambs \$16.40 sorted 15 per cent. Around 250 head medium to good ewes \$8@9.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—(UP)—(WFA)—Livestock: Hogs, 11,000. Complete clearance. Good choice 10 lbs. \$10.50 up \$14.75, calling 140-160 lbs. \$14.25@14.75; good and choice sows \$14.25@14.75. Cattle, 11,000. Bulk fed steers and yearlings \$14@16; top \$17. Several loads \$16.25@16.50; heifers best \$16.25; good beef bulls, \$16; cutter cows to \$8.75; heavy sausage bulls to \$13.50; weaners \$15.50 down. Sheep, 4,000. Good and choice fed western lambs, \$16.65@16.75.

Chicago Wheat Chicago, Feb. 13.—(UP)—Wheat: Open High Low Close May — 1.11 1.14 1.12 1.11 July — 1.53 1.54 1.52 1.51 Sept. — 1.51 1.53 1.51 1.52 Dec. — 1.52 1.54 1.52 1.54

S. F. DAIRY PRICES San Francisco, Feb. 13.—(UP) Dairy market: Butter—98 score 43c, 92 score 42 1/2c, 90 score 42 1/4c, 89 score 41 3/4c. Cheese—Wholesale prices loafs 27.9c, triplets 27.2. Eggs—Large grade A 43 1/2c, medium grade A 40 1/2c, small grade A 37 1/2c, large grade B 40 1/2c.

Wall Street

New York, Feb. 13.—(UP)—Markets responded bullishly today to the news from the Yalta conference. Stocks rose 1 to more than 2 points to the best general level since Sept. 4, 1937. About a half-billion dollars were added to the valuation of all listed issues. Railroad shares rose fractions to 3 points on active turnover. Steels gained more than a point in the leaders. Several rail equipments made new highs on gains running to a point. Tire



HOMESICK—There isn't much this homesick Yank can do to make the battered town of St. With look like home in California, but Charles Stapleton takes a stab by changing German signs in Belgium town to read "Los Angeles City Limits." (Photo by Harold Siegman. Acme Photographer for War Picture Pool.)

Letter From Washington

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH Member of Congress From Oregon

Labor Draft Bill—The much-discussed bill to draft civilian manpower, variously labeled the National Service Act, the Work or Fight Bill, or the Labor Conservation Bill, was finally brought to the floor of the house by the military affairs committee. The bill was a disappointment. It was not strong enough to satisfy those who have believed, since the attack on Pearl Harbor, that labor should be mobilized. It contained enough of the so-called labor conscription feature to arouse opposition by all organized labor. It is also opposed by industry.

I am reminded of a couplet in an old fable which runs something like this: "The mountain groaned in pangs of birth; Great expectation filled the earth; And lo! A mouse was born!"

A point about the bill that has not had much discussion is that it would provide all of the benefits of the soldiers' and sailors' civil relief act to all workers in industries classified as essential war industries. This would mean that all of the millions of those classified as essential war workers would, in addition to the wartime wages received, be given the same benefits under the above-mentioned act as if such employment constituted military service.

I have listened to most of the debate and re-checked the points made both for and against the bill. Apparently, the principal arguments for the bill are that, (1) the armed forces approve of it, and, (2) that its passage is needed as a gesture to the man in service, indicating the solid backing of the home front at this critical time in the war.

Numerous arguments in opposition to the bill included: (1) it is unnecessary because production quotas are being met; (2) its passage will not produce any tangible results in increased manpower; (3) it is too late in the war effort to be of any value; (4) it would provide benefits to civilian workers, in addition to wages that are generally deemed to have fully compensated such workers; and, (5) men would be drafted by law to labor for the profit of employers.

These are but a few of a long list of rather compelling arguments against the bill.

More Alcohol Needed—The War Production Board informed me last week that the requirements for industrial alcohol have been substantially increased over previous estimates made for the year 1945. This is of particular interest to our congressional district for the reason that the first plant ever built in America to produce alcohol from sawdust is now under construction at Springfield, Oregon.

The new estimate of requirements proves conclusively that the WPB decision to build this plant was right. In view of the fact that additional alcohol cannot be obtained from grain and cannot be obtained from petroleum without the curtailment of other needed products from that source, it may be necessary later to expand the facilities of producing alcohol from wood waste. It is generally believed, however, that the plant now under construction, which is expected to be in operation by the middle of this year, will be completed and tested before any new plants are considered.

Revised estimates of alcohol requirements for 1945 are as follows: (Expressed in millions of gallons) Direct military and Lend lease 105 Synthetic rubber 349 Indirect military and civilian 165 Anti-freeze 36 Total 655

The requirements set up for 1945 were 428,000,000 gallons, and for 1944, 609,000,000 gallons. Production of alcohol during the year 1945 is estimated at 603,000,000 gallons. Unless production is increased during the year, the present government stock of 81,000,000 gallons will be reduced to 29,000,000 gallons by the end of the year.

Prisoner of War Bulletin—Every month there is published a "Prisoner of War Bulletin" I shall be very glad to send a copy of this bulletin to parents or others in my district who would like to receive it.

issues had gains ranging to two points in U. S. Rubber preferred which made a new top. Motor shares were strong with Chrysler and Studebaker equaling their tops.

Today's closing prices on selected stocks: American Tel. & Tel. 162 1/2 Anaconda 32 Chrysler 99 Curtiss Wright 6 General Electric 39 3/4 General Motors 67 1/2 Montgomery Ward 52 3/4 Penn. R. R. 36 Phillips Petroleum 47 1/2 J. C. Penney 110 3/4 Radio 12 1/2 Southern Pacific 42 1/2 Standard Oil of Cal. 47 1/2 Texas Gulf Sulphur 38 1/4 Transamerica 11 1/4 United Aircraft 30 3/4 U. S. Rubber 57 U. S. Steel 61 1/2

Closing time for Classified Ads 4 p. m. — Too Late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

WIFE OF EIGHT HUSBANDS HELD ON FRAUD COUNT

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—(UP)—Mrs. Vilma Suberly, 25, who allegedly began her collection of eight or nine husbands back in 1938, was held in Eugene, Ore., today on charges of defrauding servicemen.

Mrs. Suberly will be returned to Sacramento, Calif., where she was indicted last month on a charge of using the U. S. mails to defraud. A fugitive complaint was filed for her today at Portland.

Operating as a blonde, red head and brunette, and under at least 28 different aliases, Mrs. Suberly was reported to have married five enlisted navy men, an army private and two civilians. Suberly is the name of her third husband.

"We still are investigating a possible ninth husband," federal bureau of investigation officials said. She was said to have admitted receiving \$4,660 in allotments and cash from her six navy husbands during 1942 and to have supplemented this by a \$300-a-week income during six months as a prostitute.

AMERICANS YIELD GROUND IN ITALY

Rome, Feb. 13.—(UP)—Regiments of the 92nd infantry division were consolidating positions today after being forced to yield recently captured ground under repeated German counterattacks in the 5th army's west coastal sector.

The units have fallen back to approximately the same lines from which they launched their attack February 8, headquarters said. Their casualties and tank losses were reported "relatively high."

Aggressive enemy counterattacks were reported continuing in the Sorchio valley with harassing artillery and mortar fire falling in forward areas.

7 RACE HORSES BURN TO DEATH

Eureka, Cal., Feb. 13.—(UP)—Seven race horses owned by Charles (Coggie) McDonough, well-known western sportsman, were burned to death early today when a fire of unknown origin destroyed a barn at the Redwood Acres farm.

Two horses—Adabelle Listo and Vivo Listo—were saved by Trainer A. J. MacGinnis and a stable boy who were sleeping in the barn when the fire started shortly before 3 a. m.

Four of the dead horses were 3-year-olds and raced at the last meeting at Bay Meadows.

HOPE JUDGE FALLS OFFEN Indianapolis, Ind., — (UP)—More Marion county prisoners undoubtedly wish that Judge John L. McNeill would slip on the ice and fall again. For the last time the judge did this, he ordered two prisoners to clean the ice off the sidewalk and then granted them each a release a week early.

DROWNING OF 2 SMALL CHILDREN CONFESSED Mt. Vernon, Ind., Feb. 13.—(UP)—A mother, who had told police that the family dog caused the death of her two children, changed her story today and admitted she drowned her son and daughter in the muddy Ohio river.

Mrs. Mary Wallis, 32, confessed that she pushed her children, Arthur, 6, and Margaret, 3, into the swirling river water. Then she jumped in herself, intending to commit suicide, but lost her nerve and scrambled to shore, she said.

HE'LL HAVE TO HOOF IT New Bedford, Mass. (UP)—George W. Pitsley, 17, of New Bedford is going to get plenty of exercise walking in the next year. A district judge recently sentenced him to a year of no bicycle riding after he pleaded guilty of stealing a bicycle.

Veterans of World War One are urged to volunteer now for leadership in this greatest of all youth organizations—the Boy Scouts of America. In the boy of today lies the hope of America's future greatness!

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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 13, 1935 (It Was Wednesday) Fate of Bruno Hauptmann, charged with kidnaping and slaying infant son of Col. Lindbergh in hands of New Jersey jury.

Navy dirigible Macon sinks in Pacific after mysterious explosion. Bob Hinman, high school football player, is awarded grid scholarship to University of Washington.

Unsettled with showers. High 41, low 37 degrees. Mayor Porter appoints 24 citizens to watch for traffic violations.

Annual Lincoln Day banquet is held at Ashland and Earl T. Newby is elected president. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY February 13, 1925 (It Was Thursday)

Bill to give city of Medford right to use Big Butte Springs water, and vote on child labor law, due for early action in legislature. Fine weather causes increase in speeding on residential district streets with West Main the worst.

Orchardists advised to prepare for spring spraying. Radio clubs to be formed in rural sections. Many country people now have radios.

De Autremont brothers, train robbery suspects, thought hiding in Ecuador. THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY February 13, 1911 (It Was Monday)

Rogue River fish bill row before legislature. Medford high defeats Ashland 31 to 11. Local lineup was Rader and Redcliff forwards; Childers, center, Scoggins and Ware, guards.

EISENHOWER CALLS ON BOY SCOUTS FOR HELP Washington, Feb. 13.—(UP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower called on the Boy Scouts today to help him and his fighting men by collecting waste paper from which to make ammunition boxes and food containers.

Eisenhower is personally sponsoring a country-wide paper collection campaign during which the Boy Scouts hope to gather 3,000,000 pounds. The drive will last from March 1 through April 30.

Use Mail Tribune Want Ads. with SLANDERIZING Diet include HOLLYWOOD BREAD

TRUCKS FOR RENT Drive Yourself—Save 14 Any Distance Pruitt's Mobiloil Station Main and Ivy Phone 4145

PARTS and SERVICE for all Makes of WASHERS and REFRIGERATORS YOUNGER'S APPLIANCE SERVICE CO. 31 N. Bartlett Phone 2419

Warning—Watch out for sniffly Head Colds! Head colds can cause much suffering. To promptly relieve the sniffly, sneezy, stuffy distress—put a little Va-tro-nol up each nostril. Va-tro-nol works right where trouble is to soothe irritation—reduce swelling—make breathing easier. Try it! Also helps prevent many colds from developing if used in time. Follow directions in folder. VICKS VA-TRO-NOL