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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

At long last the Allies have bombed the hide-out of Herr Hitler in the Bavarian Alps. Inasmuch as the same general area shelters the lodge, home, and chateau of Goering, Himmler and Ribbentrop, top-rank co-conspirators of the runt Austrian paperhanger and paranoiac, who completely mesmerized the German people...

Citizens are still dating this and that, and what have you, in '44' and planning to do something on February 30th. They are in the same boat as the legions unable to repair their watch from the jeweler, toll themselves repeatedly with snappy twists of the wrist to tell time.

Dime Flynn and V. Brophy, early spring Grandpaws, are back from the clouds, but still can't keep from goose-stepping with joy, while not giggling.

IT'S DIFFERENT NOW (The Dalles Chronicle)
The Salvation Army invaded the jail this morning and conducted services there. As Otis Savage was the only person in jail, he received enough for a whole jail full of sinners. We have the utmost respect for religion, but we must confess some aspects do not increase our veneration. If that was part of Savage's sentence, it is all right, but if not he ought to be allowed a rebate. (50 Yrs. Ago Col.)

Youth is now at large with 22 rifles, with a wide choice of targets. Investigation shows that they invariably miss a tin can and unerringly hit a street light fixture for which there is no replacement for the duration.

The high chair is now "out-moded" as a means of feeding the baby, and besides is as dangerous as a step-ladder to Grandmaw during the spring housecleaning period while trying to hang a curtain. The "high horse" is also becoming obsolete, Sweden, Switzerland and Spain being among the nations gradually coming down off theirs.

"The Grange dress show came off at the hall Tuesday with many present, and was much enjoyed." (Cornelius Items).—Might be called "fitting."

GEORGE AN 'ISOLATIONIST' (S.F. Chronicle)
He pointed out that many of Europe's interests were then no concern of ours. Hence, therefore, it must be unwise in us to implicate ourselves by artificial ties, in the ordinary vicissitudes of her politics or the ordinary combinations and collisions of her friendships or enmities." (From Washington's Addresses.)

Owners of cocktail shakers have sent them to war. They double as churns. The butter-milk therefrom is used in pancake batter, and the butter used to grease the finished product.

Editorial Correspondence

Los Angeles, Feb. 19.—A week-end here is like a parade—military and naval. The place is packed with them and especially fliers—a fine, stalwart, clean-cut bunch, too, some with more than one row of service stripes, and all having a good time.

Talk about MORALE! These boys surely have it, the old Spanish Conquistadores who ruled sunny California many years ago have nothing on them. Yes, they have a cocky, conquering way with them. We spent Sunday walking around the down-town areas, for the most part, and returned with a new pride in our country and her fighting men! It is hard to believe any country in the world has produced their equal on land, sea or in the air—but especially in the air!

We had a chat with one sun-tanned pilot, down in the Mexican Plaza, invalidated home after a year in the South Pacific. He didn't look like an invalid, but there was a shell fragment in his side and he could only sleep on the right, he claimed. We asked him if he could explain the U. S. superiority in the air—respectable casualties ranging from 10 to 20 to 1. Were we REALLY as superior to the Japs as that, or was it propaganda?

He said he didn't know at first—no doubt they are ordered not to talk to strangers. Then after a little further conversation said he thought the official reports were probably correct, but his own experience would hardly bear such an extreme ratio out, though in team play and smart tactics he did believe the Yanks had it over Nippon like a tent.

"They have plenty good machines," he added, "especially their new fast fighters, and they certainly have no yellow streak about 'em; they LIKE to fight and die for their emperor, but it seems to me they don't fight together, but each for himself, and that seems to be the chief trouble with 'em—they are gallery players; they take terrible chances and that's what we are instructed not to do—and we don't. I think that's the answer, if there is one."

Had luncheon with a Dane today—a Dane from Copenhagen and he had snuff all over his teeth. He had spent over a year on Omak island, near Alaska, wielding a 10-pound sledge he claimed—he was in the first world war, not in this one—too old. He looked about 28, incidentally, but swore by all the Gods of Valhalla he was 58, and exhibited an American Legion membership card to prove it.

However, let that be as it may, he was an amusing person, an extremely virile one and had many tales to tell about the Germans and his native Denmark.

He HATES the Germans—always has—but he thinks they are really more efficient than any other nation in the world, can do more with less, and are not going to be easy to beat this time, because they realize if they quit they are all through and washed up for two or three generations at least. And no nation, he added, is going to commit suicide if it can be avoided.

So he thinks (this will be interesting to G. T.) that it will be not months but YEARS before anything approaching peace or law and order are established from the North Sea to the Polish corridor.

He was a big, husky chap, wore no hat, but had plenty of hirsutal covering, no necktie or collar, just a blue woolen shirt, but an air about him of good humor and health—especially the latter—that somehow carried all before him.

Incidentally he told an amusing story of his father, who was a game warden in the royal hunting grounds in Denmark—now deceased. Father had a most luxuriant growth of whiskers, and came over to visit his son who then had a ranch in British Columbia. There were no skunks in Denmark, but there were on this ranch, and Father, true to the game warden tradition, went out to check on the varmints, when he ran into a type of animal he had never seen before. Son was with him and warned him of the danger, but "Papa" refused to take the warning and tried to catch the skunk. The skunk employed the one protective defense it has, but due to Papa's whiskers there was no effective penetration at first; in fact, until the funny little animal with the white-and-black foliage had been captured, Papa had no inkling of what he had suffered—then gradually with the varmint firmly in his Game Warden grasp, he remarked:

"Vat an Unusual pleasant odor!"

Well, girls and boys, that was the story, as Johann told it. We merely pass it on for what it may be—or may not be—worth!

We failed to note when recounting our "Daylight" trip of a week ago that we met M. Dale Newton, en route, and enjoyed a nice chat with him. He is the man who makes a specialty of fancy job printing and constructing model trains—he bought the Leon Haskins property 3 miles south of Medford on the Pacific Highway, and came down here to replace (if possible) some of the machinery he lost in the fire of a few months back. He has returned ere this, no doubt.

Just a week ago we arrived here. It doesn't seem possible—seems much more like a month!

Here is a significant note regarding L. A.: Up at the Orpheum, on Broadway, Sally Rand, middle-aged and slow on the feet, is being paid \$2,000 a week for her fan dance and packing them in, they say. (She was at the Chicago World's Fair 10 years ago and then not exactly a debutante) At the "Mayan," on Hill, a play advertised as something that would make "Tobacco Road" blush, entitled the "Maid From the Ozarks," is also playing to crowded houses (3 performances on Sunday) And yet—mark well!—they have a group of poor, hard-working japs up before the municipal court on charges of "indecentcy" because they put on some sort of a strip-tease performance on Main Street here in L. A. a few weeks back!

Weather note: It reminds one of the valley during April—clear and sunny one moment, cold and cloudy the next. Took a Pacific Electric out to San Pedro for a look-see and breath of salt air. A busy place these days... (deleted by censor.) One new feature may be mentioned, ships camouflaged for South Pacific look for all the world like palm gardens in the distance.

Thanks to E. and H. G. for kindly note. —R.W.R.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters to the editor must bear the name and address of the writer although the use of a pen-name of initials for publication is permissible. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarity and condensation.

Bear Cans Deplored To the editor: You wrote an editorial the other day telling us housewives we should save tin cans because they were necessary for the war effort. But you did not say anything about the tin cans they are using to send beer overseas to make drunkards out of our boys and girls.

I believe every Christian in this nation of ours should protest this, as it does nobody any good; it takes up our cargo space that could be used to send supplies to our men and allies. I was faithful in saving my tin cans until I learned this then I quit. If the grain used for making liquor was used to feed the starving nations, we would not have so many drunkards, broken homes and destitute children.

A READER, (Name on File.)

More 105-mm. howitzers are being used in this war than all other field artillery weapons combined.

DOG POISONERS BUSY IN PHOENIX DISTRICT

Dog poisoners are busy in the Phoenix district, two reports from that area today to the sheriff's office telling of the death of pets. One of them belonged to Mrs. M. A. Williams and the other to a family by the name of Metcalfe. Deputy Sheriff William Grenember said there were no clues. Reports indicated the dogs were killed by eating poisoned food tossed to them or left within their reach.

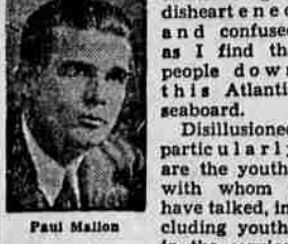
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News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 23—A nation on the threshold of world victory could hardly be believed to be as discouraged, disheartened and confused as I find the people down this Atlantic seaboard.



Disillusioned particularly are the youths with whom I have talked, including youths in the service, and the wives and families of service men, some of whom have lost their family heads in battle. They rather generally report of their own class:

"We are becoming a lost generation, without much faith of any kind or morals. How can it be otherwise? What is there to tie to?"

THE POOR man, rich man, business man and banker talk and act as if they are in the same boat.

I met one old Negro above 50 years who had returned from employment in the Brooklyn navy yard, where, he said, he received a wage of \$52.50 a week. He was looking for work as a yard man, cutting grass and raking leaves, for which he insisted he must get \$52.50 a week, not a nickel less.

The confusion among this class of workers is pathetic.

NOT Many of the large winter homes of northerners have been opened this year, and those who have come south in droves seem to have come for reasons of health. There is no joy anywhere, and no amusements except the same movies and bars they have at home.

Everywhere there is evident a feeling against the rich, fanned constantly by the current periodicals out of New York, which hold that the test of whether a man is fair and honest these days lies in the single factor of whether he denounces the rich. A revolutionist deception is being practiced upon the people in this manner.

BUSINESS men in the southern cities have asked me plaintively: "What will become of Florida when the rich are destroyed completely?"

They forget the history of the rich. Revolutions never abolish riches, only change the class of those who are rich.

Before the civil war, the southern planter and the New England mill owners were the rich of the country. Since then the southern planters have been poor. In more recent years the New England mill owner has become poor. Then came the rich class from the west, from railroad building, lumber and gold. This class also is now nearly extinct.

In the Coolidge-Hoover era we had business fortunes built up by the Fords, Dodges, Du Ponts, and also by the financial rich of New York. These fortunes continue only as they are productive, only if they can make fresh money from day to day in large quantities.

In the present day the rich man has no place to hide what

he has left after taxes, in view of the diminishing value of the dollar, rising prices, insecurity of investment in swiftly changing economic forces.

The rich of this war era also are a new class—not the old established businesses, which are limited by excess profits taxes, but new shipyards and new industries not bound to the same extent as United States Steel and General Motors for instance.

ALL Except this new class of rich are as disillusioned and despairing as the worker in the war plants, because their future carries no greater assurance. Most of them have bought farms in expectation of getting enough money to eat anyway, when "the blow" falls.

Don't forget, also, there are rich in Russia. The revolution there has also merely created a different class of preferred few. The true test of whether riches are justified under capitalism is whether they produce for the common man—pay taxes which ease the burden of government, produce good jobs at good salaries under good working conditions. Only the bunk propagandist, or the fools who are deceived by them, want to destroy cows who can be made to produce good milk.

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WHO... ME?
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EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE to the Oregon Liquor Control Commission

passes senate, and is now up to governor for signature.

Severe quake rocks Alaska.

Violets and daffodils bloom in city due to recent warm weather.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY February 23, 1911 (It was Thursday) Klamath Falls photographer lost in Crater Lake snows.

Col. F. L. Tou Velle becomes Buick agent here.

Government needs 140 million dollars for coming year expenses.

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tonight in the Medford armory. Mrs. Bennett served under Miss Ora Cox of Medford during Miss Cox' term last year as national president and is also past department president of Oregon.

Mrs. Bennett will be on the evening's program, scheduled to begin at 8 p. m., and will be honored at the social meeting which will follow.

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