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Ye Smudge Pot
 By Arthur Perry

March weather prevailed all week. Friday was as windy, if not more so, than any candidate, of either party, in the November mandate.

The legislature is still at Salem, but early liberation is predicted. They have been away from home so long, the Red Cross may send them a package.

Dock Gitten failed to get his face out of the road of a colt's hoof. It was a glancing lick, and he only saw 4,356,782 stars.

The next national shortage will be shoes, as there is no leather except in its native state, viz: wrapped around cows. Nobody, however will go barefooted, the next three months, except kids, and their maws won't let 'em.

J. Tannehill Walker, recently six, while out of bounds Wednesday P. M., fell in a mud puddle. He was completely besmirched.

Next Saturday is the birthday of H. Flewler, the former demon baker, now in Italy, and Lorenzo Dow Fry of Phoenix. The following week John C. Mann has one. Col. Judge Touville, of J'ville and the Dick Phair titan haired daughter, Kariyn, were last week's honorees. Con DeVore passed another milepost Saturday.

The Thursday eve pull & haul at the armory found the Grey Mask again triumphant. At the finish the main combatants were as weak as a cat, and as limp as a dishrag.

Spring officially starts Wednesday. However, she is not expected to arrive much before she gets here.

A blizzard ripped through the high hills, depositing snow. Over Sexton Mt. the blizzard had trouble twisting along the main highway.

T. David, the Fletch Fish of Phoenix boy, is putting in a couple of front teeth, under the superintendency of his Pappy.

Saturday was a saddest day since Casey struck out, for "Old Oregon" and "Old Medford" grads.

F. Luy, the Antelope cowman, has turned out his steers on pasture. All winter he has been feeding them hay, he didn't have, and they now join the cow sur plus, the nation hasn't got.

Farmers report the rain is drowning the barley. The county agent as yet has not reported any weeds going down for the third time.

Horticulturists have started whetting up their fretters for the ravages of Jack Frost.

KILLS DOG, SELF
 El Monte, Calif., March 17 — (U.P.)—Charles H. Vernon, 53, had never liked his 17-year-old son's dog. Today he shot and killed the dog, then in apparent remorse, shot and killed himself.

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 If you suffer from rheumatic, arthritic or neuralgic pain, try this simple, inexpensive home recipe that thousands are using. Get a pack of 100-100's Compound, a two-week supply. Add 10-15 drops of lemon juice to each glass of water you drink. No trouble at all and pleasant. You need only a tablespoonful two times a day. Often, within 48 hours—sometimes overnight—agony results are ended. If the pain does not quickly leave and if you do not feel better, return the empty package and 100-100's will send you such a free trial as is sent by your druggist under an absolute money-back guarantee. 100-100's Compound is for sale and recommended by Western Thrift and drug stores everywhere.

Editorial Correspondence

Palm Springs, Cal., March 14.—The General was all wet regarding Russia. But we believe he has something when he sees world peace a long way off.

And by peace, we mean PEACE,—a condition such as existed BEFORE September 1, 1939,—with actual war being conducted nowhere.

For it is one thing to beat a nation and quite another to destroy it. And the plain truth is, neither Germany nor Japan will quit fighting until they are DESTROYED. That is going to take time,—a lot of time, particularly as far as Japan is concerned. The General believes American troops will be fighting SOMEWHERE in the world for four more years at least.

After listening to the old boy talk for an hour, we wouldn't put up a silver-plated penny against it.

General X was stationed in the Philippines for five years, and spent one 90-day leave in Nagasaki, Japan.

He had a copy of the L. A. "Examiner" at breakfast this morning and called our attention to the dispatch from Pacific Headquarters, that stiff fighting is still going on in Leyte province.

"What you don't seem to realize," said the General, "is that there are at least a dozen islands between the Philippines and Australia which are still being held by the Japs, or in which the Japs are still putting up some resistance—and how long do you think this sort of condition will continue? Well I will tell you what I think,—it may be ten years before the Japs are cleared out of the South Pacific,—I mean before we can call our boys over there home,—ALL of them!

"Look at the islands we have by-passed!

"They will have to be invaded one of these days and cleaned up. Suppose you think New Guinea is all ours. Not by a damn sight. There are probably 5,000 or more well-armed Japs still hiding out in the hills of that island,—just itching to die for their emperor and enjoy peace and comfort and high honor in Nirvana. But they intend to kill their share of Yanks FIRST.

"This two battle should tip you off but probably it hasn't. The place isn't as large as Staten Island, but after three weeks of constant fighting the yellow-bellied monkeys are still holding out. Well count up the islands that are still unconquered,—there are literally thousands of them,—add to that the Jap armies in China and Manchuria, and where do you see peace in that section of the world,—and when!"

Reading over the above we fear one might get the wrong impression of General X. He is no defeatist and he is certainly no lover of the Japs. He is a great admirer and personal friend of General MacArthur, and he regards the record made both on land and sea in the South Pacific by the G.I.'s as nothing short of miraculous.

But he DOES think, the American people as a whole, have no realistic conception of the situation either in Europe or the Far East,—and your correspondent believes the General is at least 75 percent right. (How about you G.T.—do you wish to double that wager?)

Well, Bob Hope followed us around again today,—the Medford group we mean—John, Harry and RWR,—we have a three-some but they don't allow three-somes, so we always have a fourth.

The first fourth was a Mr. Coffee of L.A.—the "Big Moose" who could hit a ball 345 yards—and did ONCE!—Then a Mr. Kertz of Fresno, Calif., who at the second hole stripped to his B.V.D.'s and proceeded to hit that little white pill straight for the pin hole after hole,—costing ye editor (who teamed up with John) all of one buck.

Mr. K. wasn't much to look at in his B.V.D.'s (not half as muscular and magnificent as R. Moore) but how he could bash that pellet! And never hit a Palm tree all the way around. We were rather glad it was merely a one-day appearance for Mr. K.

Today we had a Mr. John Miller of Kansas City,—a sub-Freshman from J.T.'s home town who is in the insurance business. Your correspondent picked John M. as a partner this time,—and J. Tomlin and H. H., were our opponents.

For once since our arrival here we picked right,—Brother Miller shot an 81 and Ye Editor,—believe it or not!—shot a 91 with a 9 on No. 8!

(We realize this information will not interest 99.99% of our subscribers but that one-tenth of one percent consisting of Messrs. Thorndike, Moore and Schenck, with C. Clay as a supernumerary,—it WILL interest. So we hope we may be pardoned for transmitting the same as a matter of what might be termed,—in parliamentary language,—"personal privilege.")

Yes Bob Hope and again the attractive and robust Mrs. Bob,—and three or four of the Palm Springs elite (from a golfing standpoint) followed the Medford contingent.

On the first hole Mrs. Bob's second shot hit the left-hand trap,—it takes a good second shot to hit it—your correspondent is usually on the green in 3,—if he is lucky.

One of their caddies (they are rare here as everywhere else) remarked Mrs. B. was not playing "tournament" so he surreptitiously picked the ball out of the trap and teed it up on a bit of grass. (Bermuda grass.) No one noticed it. Mrs. B. therefore got a four which is par!

We can't help but like Bob Hope—although we didn't like the way he razed Mrs. Hope on Sunday. But he is a likeable cuss,—he plays excellent golf, and there is something wholesome and appealing and boyish about him. He struts,—he simply can't walk any other way. And when he makes a good shot his chest goes out automatically about four or five inches, and he does a sort of impromptu cakewalk—he just can't help it! But, all in all, we think him a very good sort and hope he beats Bing Crosby on Sunday—they are playing golf here for a Red Cross benefit,—but he probably won't.

But for that nine on No. 8—Raw-les—we got in a sand trap and took three to get out,—we would have scored an 87 for the 18 which should scare G.T. to death but probably won't.—R.W.R.

BIRTHS

STRAUBE—To Mr. and Mrs. John, Rt. 2, box 105, Jacksonville, March 17, 1945, a boy, 7 pounds, at Community hospital.

DAVIS — To Pfc. and Mrs. Ralph Rt. 4, box 172, March 17, 1945, a boy, 7 pounds, at Community hospital.

ARMY DESERTER HELD
 Los Angeles, March 17—(U.P.)—Vernon E. Spangler, whom police described as a 28-year-old army deserter, was arrested today as a suspect in the murder of Mrs. Vivian Riley, 28-year-old seamstress.

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ANTWERP, TARGET OF V-BOMBS, FOUR MONTHS IS WORD

Antwerp, March 17—(U.P.)—Antwerp, Europe's greatest port, was attacked almost continuously by German V-bombs for four months until the end of January, but supplies poured through its docks to the western front, it may now be revealed.

Great areas of the city were devastated as the Germans tried desperately to wipe out the city. British pioneer troops and civilian defense workers, many veterans of the German blitz air raids on London, Liverpool and Plymouth, were rushed to Antwerp to aid in its defense.

Because of security reasons, many of the details of the attack may not be revealed. It can be said, however, that the attack started early in October and was maintained to Jan. 31.

Some of the V-bombs which the Germans prepared for London were believed to have been directed against Antwerp. As the city was battered by hundreds of bombs, the Berlin radio boasted that "if we can't take Antwerp city, we'll make it a port without a city."

Many residents were evacuated as bombs fell on Antwerp and nearby communities. One fell at an Antwerp crossroads during the mid-day rush hour. Another fell on a packed motion picture house.

By January, Antwerp was the most blitzed city in Belgium, but its port carried on.

NAZI OIL DEPOTS GET GOING OVER

London, March 17—(U.P.)—More than 2,000 U. S. 8th air force planes and a strong formation of R. A. F. heavy bombers blasted five German gasoline oil and benzol plants today in a concentration of allied aerial might upon the enemy's dwindling fuel production.

Lt. Gen. James Doolittle sent more than 1,300 Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by upwards of 700 fighters, against the eight-way rail center of Munster, a tank factory at Hannover, and three fuel targets.

Their longest flight which was the longest of the day, a 1,100-mile round trip, was made to bomb the synthetic oil plant at Ruhland, 27 miles north of Dresden and one of Germany's biggest remaining producers. Ruhland was hit Thursday by American planes from Italian bases.

TO HONOR LINER

San Francisco, March 17—(U.P.)—The former Matson luxury liner S. S. Monterey, now an American troop ship, will be honored Wednesday at the San Francisco marine exchange with the unveiling of a painting by Lt. Hunter Wood depicting the rescue of 1,700 troops aboard the torpedoed S. S. Santa Elena by the Monterey.

APARTMENT HOUSE BURNS
 Vancouver, Wash., March 17 (U.P.)—One man was in the hospital with serious burns and 16 one-room apartments were in ashes tonight as a result of a \$25,000 fire which swept through the dwelling units this morning.

EX-GOV. SPRAGUE FLAYS ANTI-JAP BIAS AT GRESHAM

Gresham, Ore., March 17 — (U.P.)—Former Gov. Charles A. Sprague of Oregon today was on record with a denunciation of attempts to promote race prejudice through denial to Japanese-Americans of their rights to return to their former homes on the west coast.

Sprague was among several speakers at a citizens' committee meeting last night at which he said: "Evacuation of the Japanese from the west coast was a military necessity alone. Now that military authorities declare the emergency has terminated it is not fair to interpose other objections against the Japanese who desire to return to their former homes."

Harold S. Fister of Seattle, northwest area supervisor for the war relocation authority, appealed to the citizens of Oregon to assist the government in the difficult task of aiding those Japanese-Americans the War Department has cleared for relocation.

NAB BRIDEGROOM BEFORE WEDDING

Portland, Ore., March 17—(U.P.) At 11 o'clock today, all was set for a church wedding between Spencer Jelmeberg, 36, of Portland and the girl of his choice. The bridegroom was 10 minutes late and when he arrived at the church he found not the arms of his bride, but the long arms of the law waiting for him. Detectives Eichenberger and York of the Portland police department arrested Jelmeberg on a charge of assault while armed with a dangerous weapon and intent to rob.

Jelmeberg readily admitted to attempting to rob Torvald Gulikson, proprietor of a Portland grocery, and produced a piece of lead shaped like "brass knuckles" with which he struck Gulikson.

NO BANQUETS FOR SECURITY PARLEY

San Francisco, March 17 — (U.P.)—There'll be no sumptuous banqueting at the April 25 World Security Conference — but neither will there be any watering of the vodka or rationing of the rum in the Cuba Libres.

State Department officials in charge of arrangements for the 45-nation convalesce said today that the foyer of the state's San Francisco Opera House will be converted into a short order lunch counter for delegates, serving hot coffee, sandwiches and salad, American style.

The important role of women in aircraft production is indicated by the fact that they represented 40 per cent of the labor force in August, 1944, compared to five per cent in January, 1942.

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
 March 18, 1935
 (It Was Monday)

Britain files formal objection to Germany's re-establishment of a conscript army by Hitler. No action yet by League of Nations.

Gov. Martin hints he will veto power bill passed by legislature as it will endanger government loans.

Presbyterians of city to observe fiftieth anniversary week.

Fair and below normal temperatures. High 40, low 34 degrees.

First chinook caught at Savage Rapids dam yesterday.

Ashland quintet to leave tomorrow for state meet at Salem.

Baseball league talked again for southern Oregon.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
 March 18, 1925
 (It Was Wednesday)

Fire destroys 20,000 homes in Tokyo, as high wind fans flames. America to send food and medicine.

Scandal aired in British court and high society shocked.

Doubt expressed that Ashland Normal school as authorized by legislature will open this fall.

President Coolidge and William J. Bryan have pictures taken together, during Bryan's visit to White House.

Unsettled. High 67, low 27 degrees. First smudging of season occurs in pear orchards of valley.

Lithuanians and Poles start spring battling on frontier.

George Gates tells Kiwanians about his visit to Ford plant in Detroit.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY
 March 18, 1911
 (It Was Wednesday)

Judge sentences Klamath Falls prisoner to two years in pen for stealing \$1.18.

P. & E. to start hauling freight to Butte Falls March 28.

Work to start soon on new power plant near Prospect.

Indianapolis, the capital city of Indiana, was not even started until 1820, four years after the state was admitted to the Union. In 1821 it was designated the capital.

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BAY CITY PARADE PLAN FOR HEROES

San Francisco, March 17—(U.P.)—The city by the golden gate will officially welcome the second large group of returned heroes of Bataan and Corregidor Tuesday with a parade up Market street and an elaborate luncheon, it was announced today.

The 339 prisoners who returned to the United States yesterday after more than three years in Jap prison camps will receive gold medallions from Mayor Roger Lapham after the parade past thousands of San Franciscans.

After the luncheon at the Hotel Mark Hopkins, the men will be given the keys to the city—free taxi rides, phone calls home, passes to theatres and other entertainment.

Seek Sergeant As Slayer of 'Maise'

London, March 17 — (U.P.)—Police tonight sought an American sergeant, known only as "Pete," for the slaying of Mrs. Gertrude Rose, 47. She was found dead in bed with her head battered in by a weapon, described as a "spiked Indian war club."

Mrs. Rose, known as "Maise," had at least been dead two days when her body was discovered yesterday by a charwoman. A neighbor said Mrs. Rose frequently brought "men friends"—many of them soldiers—to the flat in the evenings.

From 18 to 20 per cent of the nation's sugar beets is produced in the Pacific Northwest.

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