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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

The wrecked German bridges across the Rhine are listed as "masterpieces of war's destructive power." People with an eye to business and a dollar, wish the world was at peace, and Japan once more in the market for scrap iron.

The almond trees are in bloom for the first day of Spring. For awhile, it looked like they would not make it in time, to be killed as usual, by the first frost.

The jazz band starts at 1, and goes all afternoon until 4:30 p. m. It's really getting to sound good.—(From a soldier's letter)—War is war.

CUTE TRICK ITEM
(Topeka State Journal)
"A Hollywood actress says she rolls in the dew, nude, at 8:30 o'clock in the morning, and a lot of other schemes to get the boys up early in the morning have been tried."

Sixty years or so ago, Portland police records show, "Disorderly praying" was rated a cause for arrest. The intentions of the offender were noble, and even if disorderly, were better than no prayer at all.

Two local soldiers who were Japanese prisoners of war, and the Jackson county delegation to the late legislature, came home the first of the week.

The state of Maine, 3,000 miles away, takes a hand in the Mexican water treaty which concerns California, Old Mexico, and the Colorado river. It was not so long ago, that Oregon editors, with livelier home issues in range of their typewriters, often took a journalistic fall out of Cong. Ham Fish of New York, and implored the New Yorkers not to re-elect him.

Mrs. J. Cochran Robin, resigned as the official harbinger of spring, following the debut of spring at 4:58 p. m. yesterday. "It was the poorest spring arrival I ever had any thing to do with, and I was never so humiliated and offended. The day resembled spring about as much as Mr. Robin does a Flying Fortress, which he sometimes thinks he is."

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Editorial Correspondence

Palm Springs, March 17: Decided not to play golf today, the week-ends here being too crowded. A wise decision but not for the reason stated.
Around noon it started to rain and there have been April showers ever since which drove the golfing week-enders to other (indoor) diversions and left the course free for a few "mudders."

Pride is a very important factor in human behavior. That is one reason Jane Austin wrote a book called "Pride and Prejudice," or did one of the Bronte sisters? (We admit that hike over the mountain, part of it in a drizzle has left the editor with a pair of weak knees and rather muddled in the head.) And that is where the "pride" comes in.

When we were at La Serena in 1942 we walked over this Skyline trail, and ten minutes faster than the old boy—also at La Serena—who manufactures "Spam." From the golf course there is as nice a wormseye view of Inspiration Point up as there is a bird's-eye view down from the top. So we remarked casually one day to our golfing "pals" that when last in Palm Springs we had walked up to the flag there on the peak and back—it doesn't look higher than a thousand feet from the golf course. One of them—we can't recall which—said with a leer and a sneer:

"You and what other jackass?"
Holding our temper with customary dignity, we replied that we had done so and not on the back of a burro but on our own pedal extremities, negotiating the entire distance from the golf club entrance over the hump to the tennis club exit, in one hour and 28 minutes.

Well the long and the short of it was, neither of our golfing pals or even our partner—looking up at that craggy eminence—believed a word of it—the latter, judging our physical prowess by the sort of golf displayed, could be excused, but there was no excuse for the former, both being familiar with the editorial incapacity in that direction—golf we mean, and his aversion to inaccuracy in statement.

So then and there stung with the insult, Ye Editor resolved he would do it again—climb up to Inspiration Point before he departed if it involved breaking his neck, and not only demonstrate to the Medford contingent their grievous error; but demonstrate to himself that while three years had passed since that defeat of the Spam King; as a mountain climber "Ye Editor" was practically as good as he had ever been.

So there you have it Brethren—PRIDE and nothing else! We did it and didn't break the editorial neck but coming down on those slippery rocks in the rain, we came so close to it, that it ceased to be a joke. And had we been wise we would have let the skepticism of the Medford contingent rest and rested our "dogs" also—dogs that have had plenty to do the past two weeks, with more to do tomorrow as Bing and Bob are scheduled to play that match.

However just to clear up the record. In a certain sheltered spot at Inspiration Point, a rock covers a strip of cloth, taken from a blue and white flag, and under that rock is a certain coin, marked R. W. R. 3/17/45 and this inscription: "Ah there Harry and John."

Only we know the date on that coin, or what denomination the coin is So-o-o-o. If they, or anyone else, subsequently casts any doubt upon the fact Ye Editor did cover the Sky Line trail via Inspiration Point, to them we will give the exact location of aforesaid stone, the date and nature of the coin beneath and if they—walking up on their own horse-power—do not find everything as stated, we will agree to contribute a million dollars (Hey there Walter!) to the Red Cross, if they will contribute the same amount in case they do find the evidence exactly as described. So that's settled.

Incidentally we have discovered that the conclusion and the most important portion of that Churchill speech, enclosed in our letter of yesterday was left out which we fear seriously impaired the point of the paragraph. However, we enclose same today and trust E. C. F. will see that it is printed with today's contribution. It refers to what the returning soldiers of Great Britain will wish to see when they return from the wars—and like the other extracts from the speech is excellent. We quote:

"They wish to see old England or Scotland or Wales or Northern Ireland playing their part in the forefront of all the nations in battles against tyranny. When they are home and settled down and our country is again a going concern, paying its way and standing on its own in the post-war world, then will be the time for them to settle what form and shape our society should assume.
"No restriction upon well-established British liberties that is not proved indispensable to the prosecution of the war and the transition from war to peace can be tolerated.
"Control for control's sake is senseless. Controls under

News of 4-H CLUBS

By Shirley Smith
The Web-Foots 4-H club of Gold Hill held its first meeting March 16 at the Van Duesun home. Carl Jossey, county 4-H agent who aided in organizing the club, attended. Next two meetings will be held at the Van Duesun home and after school is out the club will meet in homes of other members.
Officers elected were Jim Hand, president, Charles Marshall, vice president and David Yeager, secretary-treasurer.

NEW AIR SERVICE
Los Angeles, March 21—(U.P.) Direct daily mail, express and cargo air service between Los Angeles and Denver will begin about May 1, Western Air Lines announced today. The Civil Aeronautics Board last November certified the route, which the airlines said will save 239 miles.

the pretext of war or its aftermath which are in fact designed to favor the accomplishment of totalitarian systems, however innocently designed, whatever guise they take, whatever liveries they wear, whatever slogans they mouth are a fraud which should be mercilessly exposed to the British public."

Before it started to rain it was nice on the mountain top. On one side the desert stretches out mile after mile of nothing, but the main line of the S. P. in a sea of sand and sage brush. All that vast area needs water and as it has the same asset as Palm Springs—climate—it will be a thickly populated winter resort one of these days. (Before the local C of C files a protest we will admit the winds out on the unprotected desert will be a handicap, the great advantage of P. S. is it is in a cup protected by mountains.)

However, if one of our grandsons would buy ten acres out there now we venture to say he would be a millionaire at 40—but "he" won't, he (either one) is an extremely wise and conservative young man, so probably Grand-Pappy will have to buy it for him!

Well anyway up there a thousand feet, the desert is on one side and Palm Springs, the U. S. Ferry airbase, and the Torrey Hospital on the other, the two latter in area being close to all the former. On the end of Inspiration Point one could, if he had a spring board and fairly good nerve, make a high dive and never land until he hit the third tee on the Palm Springs golf course.

One unique experience was to see a squadron of 16 bombers start out, and see them below—another bird's-eye instead of a worm's eye view. Somehow the impression on looks from looking down on a bomber is entirely different from looking up from terra firma. The air seems for some reason from above a stable medium of locomotion—at least as stable as a boat on the surface of a lake. Don't ask us to explain it, we couldn't. We merely state it as a fact.

The S. P. ran three trains toward L. A. while we were up there—two freights and one passenger. None of them was exceeding the S. P. speed limit. They looked like toy trains, and judging by the time it took after the puff of steam before the sound of the whistle could be detected, they must have been 10 or 15 miles away at least. And then we were not quite sure, the sound was so faint.

Thanks Given For Courtesies Shown English Soldiers

A letter from England thanking Mrs. Marjorie M. Smith of Central Point for courtesies extended two English sergeants when they visited in the valley last Thanksgiving has been received by Mrs. Smith from Mrs. J. Ward, North Walsall, Staffordshire, sister of one of the sergeants. Sgt. Albert J. Thacker, the brother, and Sgt. Charles Noble, visited Mrs. Smith and Mrs. F. B. Hazelton, Central Point, a cousin of Sgt. Noble. The two men were training at Montreal, Can., with the Royal Air Force.

Mrs. Ward wrote of her family and of the celebration of Anglo-American Friendship Week in England. "It is Anglo-American Friendship Week here in Walsall, and my little sisters are all looking forward to a visit at their school from some American soldiers," she wrote. "Pat, 12, is quite thrilled. She has heaps of questions to ask them."
Mrs. Smith's husband is T. Sgt. Ralph E. Smith, now stationed with the army in New Guinea.

THE GRANGE

Roxy Ann Grange
Roxo Ann Grange meeting, March 16 was called to order by Master Frank Hanson, James Higgins was given third and fourth degrees. Lecture hour under direction of Mrs. Rose featured Irish songs.
Griffin Creek Grangers are to meet with us April 6.
Mr. and Mrs. Upp, Mr. and

Flight o' Time

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
March 21, 1935
Hitler flouts protest of France and Italy against Germany re-arming, and arrogance of nazis causes war tension in Europe. League of Nations urged to act to keep peace. British foreign minister to talk with Hitler.

Ashland high defeats Benson high 18 to 20, to remain in state quint meet at Salem.
Unsettled with rain. High 44, low 32 degrees. Precipitation, .13 of an inch.

Thick dust cloud settles over middle west.
TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
March 21, 1925
Midwest tornado claims 822 lives. Benton, Ill., family blown quarter of mile and all saved. Father of five year old girl snatches her from air, after all her clothes had been blown off.

Cloudy. High 71, low 38 degrees.
Frank Runtz and J. V. Watson are fined \$15 and costs for going 35 miles per hour in city.

More office room needed in courthouse at Jacksonville, and county court studies expansion.
Railroad fruit expert explains freight situation to local growers.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY
March 21, 1911
German military expert says American army inferior "to third rate police force."
Butte Falls bank to open April 1.

Dog poisoner abroad in city.
Gold Hill Grange
The pot-luck dinner given in honor of Gold Hill grange's tenth anniversary was a great success.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin were given the third and fourth obligations.
Iris Owen, daughter of Mrs. Oscar Ingman sang a solo and the Misses Smith and Christensen put on a skit.
Next meeting will be April 5.

400 MORE AUTOMOBILES IN OREGON THIS YEAR

Salem, Ore., March 21—(U.P.)—There was an increase of more than 400 motor vehicles registered in Oregon in January, 1945, than in January a year ago, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr. reported today.
There were 356,638 registered in January of this year, while 352,430 were registered during the first month of 1944.
A total of \$2,736,666.29 was received in fees.
The largest agricultural crop of the Netherlands is sugar beets.

the train and all at once one of the crowd shouted, there goes the train, and the last car was just passing the door. The result was, the two sailors had to grab their luggage and run almost the length of the platform to catch the train.
No one had even so much as a chance to say goodbye to these kids who may be in the battle zone very shortly just because this Southern Pacific did not have time to announce train time in the depot. I have been in quite a lot of small depots and have yet to find one that lets a train pull out without announcing it inside but they have us at their mercy and they do not see fit to give a little courteous service to the people of Medford. I still am sore at myself for letting any of my family patronize such an outfit. H. K. H.

OREGON'S BONDED DEBT FOUR MILLION APRIL 1
Salem, Ore., March 21—(U.P.)—The state's net bonded indebtedness will be only about \$4,000,000 on April 1, 1945, State Treasurer Leslie Scott reported today.
The total general obligation bonded debt of the state will total \$18,964,990, as compared to more than \$66,000,000 in 1928.
On April 1, Scott said he will deposit \$1,925,457 to bear on the principal and interest of the

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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. The Mail Tribune reserves the right to edit all letters with a view to clarity and condensation.

"All Aboard!"
To the editor: Saturday night our son and another sailor were leaving for Farragut after spending their five day leave and had bought first class tickets to Portland on the night train.
It was rather cold outside and along with about fifteen people who had come to the depot to see the boys off, we waited in the depot for them to call out

SWEM'S GIFTS

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FOR MANY YEARS aspirin has been accepted by both the medical profession and the public as a safe, sure way to relieve pain.
But many people who had complete confidence in aspirin did not find it gave a quick relief from blinding, maddening pain as they hoped for. Hence in desperation they sometimes turned to other remedies less well proved.
To meet this situation a group of medical research men set out to see what could be done to speed up the analgesic or "pain-killing" action of aspirin—to make it bring their patients quicker relief, without heart or stomach upset.
Out of these researches came a really new kind of analgesic tablet, a combination of aspirin and calcium glutamate. In this new tablet, aspirin does its old, safe job of relieving pain. But through its combination with calcium glutamate, extensive tests by physicians showed it gave most people both quicker relief and greater relief from pain.
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