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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

The army reveals it distributed a million saxophones and mouth-organs among the troops on the western front.

Hobias Duell, the fuel king, has erected a woodpile on the Main Stem, as an advertisement for his wares.

The president of General Motors was the highest paid worker in the land last year. He received \$459,041.38, the treasury department reports.

FINICKY LATINs ("She" Magazine) "Latin American audiences don't like to see an actor die in one picture, turn up a week later in another one, U. S. moviemakers are up a tree as to how to handle the situation."

A local lawyer was caught talking to himself on the chess lawn yes. He denied he was asking himself questions, and then objecting to them.

Haying and hay-fever are the main topics of conversation of city people in the country, and country people in the city.

The War Food Administration is criticized for trying to make a nine million cubic foot "root house" out of an abandoned lime stone mine in Kansas.

NOTHING ELSE WRONG (Siskiyou News) "Your letter of June 18 was erroneous in conclusions, unsubstantiated by facts, premature in origin and, to my mind, a typical example of what might be termed the 'Jap party line' of propaganda set up by your superiors, Harold Ickes and Dillon Myer."

There is some talk of moving the municipal eyecore, resulting from the abolition of the historic CofC building, closer to the highway, where it could be classified as "a landscape horror", and be eradicated.

The favorite alibi for shortages of meat, and other items, is the lack of transportation. The "black market", pictured as bad, if not worse than nazism, has no such troubles, from all reports.

JOURNALISTIC WOE "We wish to apologize for an error in the story last week that listed Dora Naughton as a guest at the party. Our reporter turned in the name of Dora Gregoroff but we knew Dora Gregoroff had married and become a Naughton so we changed the name to Naughton, but Dora Gregoroff, her sister-in-law, who didn't use to be a Gregoroff but became Dora Gregoroff when she married Dora Gregoroff's brother.

The army's 80-inch 800,000-candlepower anti-aircraft searchlight is used also as a homing beacon for lost-fliers.

Letter From Washington

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH Member of Congress from Oregon

SHORTENING IS SHORT. Another food classification in which we are face to face with a serious, if not critical, shortage is the classification known as fats and oils.

Many bakeries are being closed down, some permanently and some on a temporary basis, because of the lack of shortening. This is probably the most serious result of the present shortage.

Reasons for the development of this critical situation are contained at some length in a report recently made by the Republican Congressional Food Study committee.

There will be no actual relief from this situation until the late spring of 1946. The only ray of hope now is the campaign to save kitchen grease.

Coal \$250 Ton, Butter \$2 Pound Among Prices Which Make Woe For All But Wealthy In Belgium

By Henry Tostl Russell United Press Staff Correspondent

Brussels, June 27 — (U.P.) — Living in Belgium today is like being a nudist at the North Pole—you've got to be pretty tough.

There is plenty of everything for those with plenty of money. But otherwise you've got to live without most of life's essentials.

Coal for Rich The rich don't have to eat cold meals, because they can buy black market coal for around \$150 a ton or plug into an expensive electricity circuit to do their cooking.

The average housewife is like Mother Hubbard. Most of the time the grocery shelves are empty.

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theory advocated a national representative setup on class lines.

IT was Mussolini who instituted this at first in Italy. It did not work. He took it over as dictator on a per diem theory basis.

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MAULDIN GIVEN ARMY RELEASE; ATTACKS PATTON

Los Angeles, June 27 — (U.P.) — Bill Mauldin, Scripps-Howard cartoonist whose "Up Front with Mauldin" depicted the Doughboy in Europe, was adjusting himself to civilian life today and getting acquainted with his 22-month-old son.

With Mrs. Mauldin, he flew in from Denver early today. He soon learned about house hunting difficulties, including a no smoking clause in their lease.

When Mauldin, discharged from the army two days ago on points, got tired of hearing the telephone ring, he asked the supervisor if he could have the number changed.

Wayne Newnam accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ward to Siltcoos Lake on a fishing trip.

Cecil Hinkle and Eugene Roth of Long Beach, Cal., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Gribble. Mr. Hinkle is Mrs. Gribble's brother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Lindley and two children of Phoenix spent several days this week with Mrs. Lindley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hittle.

Gold Hill school faculty for the next term includes Supt. Ferd W. Jones, Noble Martin and Mrs. Ruth Gray for high school; Mrs. Harriet Eitemiller,

principal and 8th grade; Mrs. Gertrude Moffat, 7th grade; Mrs. Alice Harris, 6th grade; Mrs. Ruth Dews, 5th grade; Mrs. Virginia Wickersham, 4th grade; Miss Grace Bigham, 3rd grade; Miss Mary Esther Davis, 2nd grade; Miss Eva Johnson, 1st grade.

Miss Bonnis Livingston of Redmond, Ore., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Celia Wise. Miss Bonnis is attending the school of beauty in Medford.

Mrs. Merritt Davis and two children have returned from Dallas, Ore., and moved into their home here. Mr. Davis will arrive in about two weeks.

Lt. and Mrs. Jack Martin returned to Portland Thursday after visiting Jack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Martin in Gold Hill and his sister, Miss Jill Martin of Medford.

Mrs. Vaughn Whitmore returned to her home here the first of the week after a visit in Portland. Her sister Miss Mary Sherbert returned with her and will make her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor of Palm Springs, Calif., are here to spend the summer with Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fiene.

Miss Colleen Hesser of Los Angeles is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Kirk.

Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dusenberry were Mrs. Dusenberry's son, Art Iversen and family of Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Robinson spent the past week camping at Holcomb Springs.

Pfc. and Mrs. Roy Pederson of Tacoma, Wash., are the parents of daughter born recently. Mrs. Pederson is the former Maxine Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cook. Pfc. Pederson is with a medical unit overseas.

Mrs. T. Z. Smith spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Medford at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Geo. I. Brown.

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WILL KEEP PW'S WHILE NEEDED

Washington, June 27 — (U.P.) — Able-bodied prisoners of war will be kept in this country as long as American manpower is not available to replace them in essential work, the war department said today.

Maj. Gen. Archer L. Lerch, provost marshal general, said that 2,800 German and 300 Italian sick and wounded prisoners would be shipped from the U. S. back to Europe starting next week. During the summer, Lerch said, about 8,000 unfit Germans will be returned to Europe.

There were 421,291 Germans and Italians held here June 1, Lerch said. For the balance of the year, he said, 224,700 will be kept for work on military and naval installations and 155,000 will be assigned to civilian duties during the peak of the agricultural season.

SLAYER SENTENCED Seattle, June 27. — (U.P.) — Convicted of the sex-slaying of five-year-old Irene McGough here last April, Joe Bill, 33-year-old Eskimo today was sentenced by Superior Judge Clay Allen to be hanged Sept. 7.

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News Behind The News By Paul Mallon

Washington, June 27—A Boston reader wrote me asking what is the thing called communism and why should it not dominate Europe.

The Russians seem to be fairly agreeable peasant people. As Gen. Eisenhower said, they like to laugh and enjoy life. They are not a war-like people.

Yet their government comes at you from a hole so deeply walled with censorship that it will never let escape a single, veritable statistic about itself, or even a sincere, convincing statement of its purpose.

If we are going to live in peace with this new world force, we must know how to handle it. What is it? Is it something to fear? To war against? To appease?

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In industry, where its government has always made greatest efforts, it follows a kind of socialism, but always with "rents and profits" which are repugnant to socialism. So, it is not socialism. Norman Thomas will be the first to tell you that.

Apparently there are all kinds of socialism, including the late Hitler kind. The word "nazi" is derived from the German title of Hitler's national socialist party. Thus we have Russian, German and American socialism, implacable foes of each other.

The Russians called the German socialism "fascism," and we have accepted that term, but is it correct? The name was derived from the Italian word "fascio," denoting a handful of sticks held together. This was the insignia of fascism. It symbolized the gathering together of the various class groups into a supposedly legislative (cabinet) assembly—one representative for the auto industry, one for auto labor, one for the farm, one for the manufacturer of farm implements, etc.

Whereas we elected our congressmen to represent geographical districts containing all classes of people, the fascist

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 June 27, 1935 (It was Thursday) Joe Louis knocks out Primo Carnera in six rounds.

Plane in endurance test at Meridan, Miss., aloft 24 days continuous.

Cloudy and cooler. High 87, low 43 degrees.

Firm stand of Gov. Martin brings peace in upstate mill strike.

Rogue River valley pear crop now five per cent less than last year, 'is estimate.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY June 27, 1911 (It was Tuesday) Fishing good on the upper Rogue.

Error by Claude Miles enables Grants Pass to defeat Medford, 3 to 1.

Dairying urged as new industry for valley.

Banner crop of pears predicted for valley.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 5:30 Saturday afternoon—Please remember

Advertisement for a medicine: THIS IS SUPERB, the new analgesic (pain relief) tablet which gives quicker and greater relief from pain—with safety. Now at your druggist's, 30 tablets 39c. Ask for Superic. Take it as you would plain aspirin.

Large advertisement for the movie 'SUDAN' at Craterian Theatre. Features actors Marcia MONTEZ, Jan HALL, Turhan BEY, Andy Devine, George Zucco. Includes showtimes and phone number.