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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

Valley insect life, due to the warm weather, was much as last week. The bees were in hills of activity, and the ants were beehives of industry.

The Leo Williams boy, Hugh, now a lieutenant in the army, and former B. Tornado basketball guard, is home on a furlough.

Nickel cigars showed up locally Thurs. They sold like hotcakes, and were just as hard to light.

There will be a general hejira of piscatorial enthusiasts to the hills the birthday of the nation Wed. to catch a fish. Others will hie thither to take a chance on poison oak, and slap mosquitoes.

In the Jackson county field of romance, Dan Cupid and the preachers are not as busy as Sam Divorce, et al.

The Les Taylor boy, Bob, of Phoenix, has been helping his Grandpaw hay, and is an infant prodigy with a pitchfork.

Atty. G. Roberts was over to K. Falls most of the week calling Klamath county lawyers eminent counsel, learned counsel, and my distinguished opponent.

The President flew over these parts and the Sikkiyous Mon. too high for the Mayor to give him a box of pears, and the key to the city.

The Bates Bros. had an argument Fri. in their tonsorial parlor. Bill and Jim were farther apart than the Poles—either those at the end of the world, or in Poland.

Don Runyard is out of the Coast Guard, and back in civilian harness again.

Local grown gooseberries and currants are on tap. Before the country ran out of sugar, both were adored by the Older Girls for pies and jelly.

The work of liquidating the scenic horror, formerly hidden by the late Commercial Club edifice is underway and a few more loads of gravel will do the trick. Many feared the municipal eyesore would have to wait for a new WPA or another gas silo.

Reports from the metropolis reveal enough butter is spoiling in the warehouses to sink a battleship, but not enough in the grocery stores to grease a piece of toast.

The Hobias Deuel woodpile on the Main Stem has been completed, and is a neat and artistic job. Whether it will be tipped over by a vandal, or split up by a Good Samaritan remains to be seen.

The song of the threshing machine is again heard in the rural areas. Up to now most of the singing has been done by the mowing machines. There is the usual shortage of hired men.

Nothing happened at the crossings last week, but several autoists made the engineer whistle, and the brakeman cuss. It is just as well for drivers to take their time, keep their cars intact, and remain in them.

WIDOW'S REQUEST Mesa, Ariz., June 30—(U.P.)—Mrs. Henrietta Ellis who fatally shot herself when she was widowed by an army plane crash, left a note asking to be buried beside her husband, "otherwise he would be lonesome," it was revealed tonight.

Pass the Peace Pact

President Truman has asked the Senate to ratify the United Nations security pact BEFORE the meeting of the peace conference.

This certainly should be done. For any of the five world powers, but particularly the United States, to go to this conference with the security pact hanging fire at home, would be extremely unfortunate. In fact such a situation might well render any satisfactory peace agreement impossible. So by all means let the Senate get busy and do this.

THIS does not mean, nor should it mean, however, any undue haste in the business of ratification. There should be the normal amount of discussion and debate. All opinions should be thoroughly aired. Not only should all members of the Senate and the House know exactly what the new pact is—and isn't—but so should the people of the country.

To pass any such vital legislation in ignorance or haste or under any serious misapprehension whatever would be inexcusable, and might prove tragic.

AS remarked in this department before, one of the constant fears at the San Francisco gathering was that this second League of Nations might meet the sad fate of the first, and be defeated by the U. S. Senate.

As a result there was not a provision offered which was not scrutinized fore and aft from this one standpoint,—would it be acceptable to the U. S. Senate,—that is from the viewpoint of domestic politics?

If there was ever any serious doubt, the decision was always in favor of the dictum of political expediency. No one in authority wished to take a chance. As one of the U. S. delegates declared:

"A live dog is better than a dead lion, a charter full of imperfections but unanimously supported and actually functioning would be preferable to a product of perfectionists thrown in the ash-can."

Right or wrong, that was the unwavering policy of the U. S. delegation at San Francisco, and none of the Big Five, only some of the smaller nations, ever opposed it.

AS a result, defeat of this second League of Nations, in this country, as we see it, is simply not in the cards. For on what ground could there be serious opposition except on the ground of extreme isolationism? And isolationism as a political factor in this country today is dead,—or feigning death,—which practically speaking adds up to the same thing. In fact this department will be surprised if there are a dozen votes against this pact when the time comes for final decision.

WHY should there be? Unlike the first League of Nations, the United States assumes no mandatory obligations in this one. There is no Article X to drag us into war far from American shores and against the popular will.

Not only as far as any military commitments are concerned, but any political or financial ones, the United States under this charter, will be under no obligation, legal or moral, to do ANYTHING IT DOES NOT WISH TO DO!

Not only will it have an absolute veto in the all important League Council against any action of importance; but as far as military involvement is concerned there will be a double-check.

Yes even if the American representative on the Council should join in the unanimous decision to take military action against an aggressor nation,—and it must be unanimous among the Big Five,—the actual use of our armed forces would still be subject to our adopted constitutional procedure and sanction.

That is to say unless the congress of the United States should vote for war—for military action against an aggressor,—there would be none. For all such action on the part of the League, by the terms of the charter must be according to the prevailing constitutional methods of the country involved.

IN short as far as any nation can have its cake and eat it too, this miracle is provided in this new Security Pact as far as the U.S.A. is concerned.

From the standpoint of ratification, indeed, that is the great strength of the charter; from the standpoint of international cooperation in the practical prevention of war it is its great weakness!—R.W.R.

UNCIO DELEGATES VISIT PORTLAND

Portland, Ore., June 30—(U.P.)—Five-hundred UNCIO delegates who stopped in Portland Friday and Saturday have re-embarked on their special train for the east today after visiting Bonneville dam.

Clearly impressed by Oregon's beauty and the dam's grandeur, the men and women linked what they saw of the Pacific coast's plenty with the need for power transportation, and agriculture in their own lands.

A preponderance of women made the character of today's group different from Friday's, when members of the French, Yugoslavian, Russian and Dutch delegations stopped over in Portland. Today's party included representatives from Liberia, India, Iran, Belgium.

TRAIN RESERVATIONS REDUCED TO 5 DAYS

Washington, June 30—(U.P.)—The Office of Defense Transportation today prohibited railroads

Flight o' Time

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY July 1, 1935 (It was Monday)

House rejects Roosevelt plan to abolish utility holding companies.

Partly cloudy, slightly warmer. High 68, low 46 degrees.

Crop prospects of nation improve.

Crater Lake park opens for season with settling of snow.

Phone company employees hold annual picnic.

Tax collections so far better than last year.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY July 1, 1931 (It was Saturday)

Wide cracks develop about Adkins Building at Main and Central. It seems on the verge of collapse.

Fourth of July celebration here to have \$4000 in cash prizes.

Local postoffice receipts increase, also bank deposits.

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.

Horse Shoes Popular To the editor: The Medford horse shoe club recently got under way for the 1945 season on their attractive courts in the city park and from the way fans are joining up it promises to be a busy summer. Gratifying to the club is the number of non-residents that have taken out membership in the past month. They hail from the following points: H. A. Hunt, Yreka, Calif.; Larry Kinn, Redonda Beach, Calif.; Frank S. Thelin, Portland; S. F. Smith, Crescent City, Calif.; Harvie Sparling, Grants Pass; A. F. Terrill, Central Point.

These and others who have visited the courts and expressed intention of becoming members on their next visit here, would indicate that Medford could become a popular Oregon center for this old but interesting pastime.

This city has some skillful players, men who frequently pitch several doubles in succession and think nothing of it. The club also has a large number that can hold their own with most players, a fact demonstrated to anyone visiting the courts when play is in progress.

The club is proud of its fine court, as well as of its caretaker, Louis Knips, one of the good pitchers and a tireless worker in upkeep of the courts.

The non-resident members are delighted with the friendliness of the resident members and appreciate the fact that good shoes are available for visiting players at all times.

The club expects to stage a tournament in July and a meeting of club members will be held at the courts, Friday, July 6, at 7:30 p. m. to discuss plans.

PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN, (Name on file).

SUPPLY ANNEX OPENED Stockton, Cal., June 30—(U.P.)—The new \$35,000,000 Stockton naval supply annex was commissioned here this afternoon on Rough and Ready Island.

PRESIDENT ASKS STATES TO BACK WORLD SECURITY

Mr. Truman Unable to Attend Governors' Conference at Mackinac.

Mackinac Island, Mich., June 30—(U.P.)—President Truman notified the 37th annual governors' conference tonight that he would not be able to address it July 2. He enjoined the state executives to support "our most ambitious effort" in "building world security."

Gov. Herbert Maw, Utah, conference chairman, read a telegram from Mr. Truman sent from the summer white house at Independence, Mo.

Reminding the governors that "war had touched each state" with a costly toll of lives, the president said the unstinted help of every governor would be required in "the task of building world security which we have just undertaken."

Gov. Maw simultaneously announced that Cmdr. Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnesota, definitely would address the governors the night of July 2 on the San Francisco conference.

Mr. Truman's pointed reference to the San Francisco charter and Stassen's personal report possibly will lead to action by the governors assembly, Maw indicated.

The governors of 39 states arrived at serene Mackinac Island aboard the Great Lakes steamer Western States after a leisurely trip from Detroit under sun-swept skies. The conference opens tomorrow for preliminary discussions. Formal meetings begin Monday.

The reconversion problem and its attendant labor unrest came into focus yesterday after the governors toured the giant Ford Motor company forge plant at Detroit.

They were told by Henry Ford II, executive vice-president of Ford, that lay-offs of war workers would create a major social and economic crisis that "only wise and speedy government action" can adjust.

Galley K on Treasure Island, the navy's and the world's largest mess hall under one roof, can seat 3000 men at a time and has served 18,000 in two hours.

Very Much Alive



(Acme Telephoto) Believed dead by his first wife, who has since collected his insurance, Donald Vernon Lovie (above), 25, sought for three years as a draft delinquent at request of Napa, Cal., authorities, was arrested in Seattle by the FBI. Shortly before his arrest, FBI agents said, Lovie deserted his second wife.

PAUL SMITH SAYS JAPAN DEFEATED IN 18-24 MONTHS

Eugene, Ore., June 30—(U.P.)—America will need the most favorable possible success in the Pacific war zone and full support at home to conquer Japan in 18 to 24 months, Comm. Paul C. Smith, navy public relations officer just returned from Okinawa today told the Oregon Newspapers Publishers Association meeting in Eugene.

Smith, former general manager of the San Francisco Chronicle, said that despite his "incubable optimism" there were too many obstacles to count on the Japanese surrender or Allied victory in less than that time although both Americans and Japanese realize the Japanese cannot win. He recalled that some of the factors likely to prevent an early victory are the power

of the Japanese military system; the presence of perhaps 100 divisions in China, 65 or 70 divisions on the homeland and another 100 or 125 "second-string" divisions; Japanese occupation of Manchuria not yet conquered by the Allies; need for at least seven or eight months to build adequate airfields on Okinawa; some four months necessary to re-deploy divisions from Europe and bad winter weather.

Water for the lighthouse keeper and his staff on the Farallons has to be brought by ship from San Francisco, as the islands are waterless.

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ANNOUNCEMENT I wish to announce to the People of Medford and surrounding territory that I have returned to this city after an absence of three years and will resume business at the old stand. Starting Monday, July 2nd SHELL SERVICE STATION SIXTH and FRONT Shelllubrication—Goodyear Tires—Car Washing Hobbs Batteries—Accessories—Polishing It will be a pleasure to serve all my old customers and any new ones coming my way. WOODY'S SHELL SERVICE (G. W. (Woody) Turpin) DAILY 7:30 A.M. TO 9 P. M. SUNDAY 8 A. M. TO 1 P. M.

Last Day of Services Before Camp Meeting If You Have Been Planning to Attend THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH (N. Central at 3rd St.) COME TODAY Services: 11 A. M., 3 P. M., 7:45 P. M. Sunday School: 9:30 A. M. Special Music by Orchestra, Organist, and Mixed Chorus Sunday Evening Meetings Closed Here Until August 5th While in Portland, visit the Apostolic Faith Camp Meeting, at the permanent Camp Grounds, located at S. E. 52nd Ave. and Duke St.