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Member OREGON NEWS PAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

The war has ended. Peace and gasoline have returned to the land. The army reports it will take a year to discharge five million men in uniform.

Royal Brown of the E. Pt. Browns towed Fri. He is disgusted with the Portland ball team and your corr.

Hunters have started to fret about new guns for the deer season. It looks like they would get shot for bucks and ducks, with old but accurate weapons.

No word has been received as to when the weekly toss-ups will be resumed at the military base.

J. Tannehill and Bob Walker have returned from Frisco, where they visited their Paw in the navy. Both are a caution.

Peoria Bill Gates has started to praise the Mid-West autumn, and may drive back to see the sycamores on the Wabash turn to red and gold.

Fishing is now reported so poor in Rogue river it takes an FBI man to catch one.

"I am going south for the winter," stated Mrs. J. Cochran Robin, at a pre-going away party on the chise lawn last week.

Paul (Suspicion Points) Jennings on furlough from the navy, after a spell in France, has observed his native applegate. Like all other returned vets, he has ate so much fried chicken he feels like crowing.

Gene Childers is back for a month from Crescent City where he took to the sea. He is getting over being a landlubber. He does not park his car any more—he "makes fast alongside."

The labor situation in the valley is much brighter. More people are looking for work than dodging it.

VJ days were observed here with the maximum of gusto, and a minimum of elbow bending. Everybody had a good time without committing any super-Hallowe'en tricks.

The Sam Colton girl, Jacques, is among the over six-year-olds getting ready to go to regular school, Sept. 17. The first day is the hardest.

Dock Edwin Durno is back from the European theater with a fashionable slyph silhouette, and feeling like he could play basketball again for Old Oregon. He rejoices to get home.

The valley pumpkins are attaining rotundity and the Olcer Girls have started making non-fattening pickles out of the allegedly cool cucumbers.

There will be a total eclipse of the moon next December 19, astronomers report. They have known this for 30 years, and never thought it worth mentioning before.

Closing time for Sunday Too Late to Classify 4:00 Saturday afternoon Please remember.

As Predicted

Marshall Petain, as predicted in this column many weeks ago was convicted of treason but not executed. Had the Marshall been a citizen of this country, under similar conditions, he would have been acquitted. That is if he had ever been tried, which is doubtful.

For in this country it is assumed a man is innocent unless his guilt has been proved beyond a reasonable doubt.

In France the accused must prove his innocence, his guilt is assumed.

Equally important perhaps, in this country political mistakes are not regarded as crimes. In France they often are, particularly when war or fear of war exists.

WE doubt if any American, much less 12 of them, who attended the trial would have for a moment maintained Petain's treason had been proved beyond a reasonable doubt.

There was, from the evidence in fact every reason to believe that, while the old Marshall was mistaken in his assumptions, and pro-Fascist in his political beliefs, he did what he did for what he believed to be the best interests of his country and not to give aid and comfort to the Germans.

In all likelihood history will record the trial and punishment of the "Hero of Verdun" as a striking example of political persecution and post-war injustice. That verdict will do the old Marshall little good. He will not be on this earth to bear it!—R.W.R.

Hoover - Incureable Romantic

In the Democratic-and demagogic- jargon of practical politics former President Hoover is the perfect example of hopeless conservatism.

"Plutocratic Reactionary" has been one favorite term to describe him. And, of course, from a partisan standpoint that epithet is probably justified.

He is ultra-conservative, and he does wish he COULD turn the clock of economic evolution backward.

BUT the real keynote of Mr. Hoover's character is not conservation or reaction but an incorrigible romanticism.

Herbert Hoover started in life as the hero of an Horatio Alger juvenile romance, and he has—at heart—never ceased to be one.

He was a little orphaned "Ragged Dick," starting from poverty in Oregon to climb the golden ladder of opportunity to riches, and he not only accomplished that, but he realized the traditional dream of the typical American mother, and became President of the United States!

Our only living ex-President sees no reason why his experience should not only be repeated, but remain typical of the economy and social fabric of this "sweet land of liberty" which did so much for him and which he loves so well. Any other course he regards as UN-American and catastrophic.

MR HOOVER can't see the essential picture has changed, somewhat as Don Quixote could not see the Age of Chivalry had passed.

Which explains why, as speaker of the day at the annual Iowa picnic at Long Beach, California, a week ago he chose to go out of his way, cross the Atlantic for his text, and devote his oratorical powers to taking the hide off the new labor government of England as an example of "creeping socialism," leading inevitably to "the swamps of economic serfdom and moral degeneration."

WHAT the new labor government of England may lead to we don't know, nor do we believe anyone else KNOWS.

But we are quite certain if it should lead to any form of "serfdom" or "moral degeneration," it will not last long. For while England may never return to the position of power and prestige enjoyed before World War No. I, we are sure the Second World War demonstrated John Bull is not decadent and only a nation that is would accept either fate Mr. Hoover describes.

THE mistake Mr. Hoover makes is, we believe, similar to the mistake made by the aforementioned Don Quixote.

Don Quixote failed to realize the age of romantic individualism with the plumed knight fighting his own battles and making his own way, had passed and a system of collective action taken its place, which in its contribution to society as a whole and its welfare was a vast improvement over the out-grown and antiquated feudal system.

SIMILARLY the age of rugged individualism has passed, and given way to a system of collective action, which can be called "totalitarianism" if one wishes; but which is also greater cooperation and team-play within the state. And in its contribution to society AS A WHOLE and its welfare this "state" may also prove to be a vast improvement over the preceding system.

And if so, the new system will stick. But whether it does or does not, Mr. Hoover's misfortune has been and is his inability to perceive that the clock of progress can not be turned backward, that the past can never be made to return. Whatever the political future of England may be—or of any other country for that matter—it will never be, and can not be, a reproduction of or return to the past—however appealing the past may be, to any individual who was once a part of it.

Such frustration is so often the tragedy of the incurable and uncompromising romantic!—R.W.R.

Your Health and It's Care

By DR. WILLIAM BRADY, M.D. Readers should address inquiries to: Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino Beverly Hills Calif.

DEVELOPMENT AND DECLINE

It is only a fortnight since I gave my opinion that a glass of wine or beer once or twice a day makes life easier for many elderly folk and that when the old folk have their daily solvent they are easier to live with. It is too early to assay the effect of this, I suppose, but up to this writing I have not read the blizzard of letters I expect to receive in consequence.



Dr. Brady does not read the blizzard of letters I expect to receive in consequence.

In approving and advocating this regular use of alcoholic beverages by elderly people I am not unmindful of the fact that my mother was an active member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, that she persuaded her children to give her a sacred pledge—nothing is more sacred than a promise to one's mother—against the use of any form of alcohol or tobacco before we were twenty-one. I still believe that if some millions of children fated to grow up in Yankeland today had mothers like mine in that respect—well, it wouldn't be so bad for their happiness and welfare. If mothers are indifferent about it then wouldn't it be a fine thing if fathers assumed such protective custody of their children during the formative years?

What I mean to say is that if the influence of the W.C.T.U. and of other temperance societies or movements was needed when we were kids in Canada—and only abandoned women ventured to visit even the high class bar, what a rotten break the kids get today, with the easy enticement of the "cocktail lounge" on every corner and sophisticated ladies (eh) doing their stuff there.

Perhaps some readers will infer that I am inconsistent. I advise the old folks to have a glass of wine or beer twice a day for the sake of health and good cheer. At the same time I advise young people to be total abstainers for at least the first fifty

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Inebriates Attention We would miss your column for worlds. Why not recommend it to inebriates—it's more exhilarating than liquor and heaps more fun.

Answer—Thank you, Ma'am. Here it is—every weekday and every Sunday the year around. Inebriates are not barred from reading it.

Gum How many calories are there in a stick of chewing gum? (S. F.) Answer—Ten. All from the sugar used to sweeten it. Gum (chickie) itself yields no calories.

Headaches Mother, 49, suffers dreadfully from attacks of migraine—so did her mother, and so does her younger sister. Any advice will be appreciated. (Mrs. S. J.) Answer—Send stamped self addressed envelope for pamphlet "Why Have Headaches?"

Pests My only complaint (I'm pretty darn healthy, thanks to your fine teaching) are fleas in my basement (from the cat, I suppose) and red ants in the kitchen. (Mrs. F. J.) Answer—Send ten cents and stamped self addressed envelope for booklet "Unhidden Guests" (Copyright 1945 by John F. Dille Co.)

to us. Let us begin to do that today. Francis Ray, Ralston, Wash.

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

To the editor: The deepest pain and the greatest anguish felt by parents today is not caused by a message that a son or daughter has been killed in action, for our faith in God comforts us, that our beloved one is safe in His all-gracious care. Neither is it the news of someone near to us being wounded, for the abiding hope that is inspired by that same faith bears us up to meet the most dismaying facts. But something we have no balm to heal is the wounds inflicted by our children who seem to delight in ignoring our authority, denying our wisdom, shunning our advice, and doing things against our wish and will. Strangely, too, our youth do not seem to understand their own sufferings and seem to share in the suffering.

Our sin is great, for by it our children are separating themselves from God's ways and are not likely to ever find Him and the abiding Peace He alone can give; for if they do not love and obey their parents, whom they have seen, how can they love God, whom they cannot see? And He has commanded, "Thou shalt honor thy father and thy mother, that it may be well with thee."

We must pray for forgiveness and humble ourselves before our Heavenly Father, as we would have our children do. We must pray that they have understanding and be led in the way of truth and righteousness.

Our God and our Christ have not failed us, but we have failed them. They ask only that we "return" and they will return.

Adm. Halsey Reveals Salty Sea Humor

Pearl Harbor, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—The navy today released the following message, dispatched by Adm. William F. Halsey when Task Force 38 completed its attacks against Luzon in the Philippines last September: "Although a capacity audience hissed the magnificent Luzon performance, the gate receipts were gratifying and very little was thrown at the actors. The show goes on the road again soon and keeps going as long as the audience has a spot to hiss in. Halsey."

Court Records

Justice Court Hjalmer Edwards, no PUC permit, \$10 and costs. Victor E. Taylor, trailer unit overload, \$12 and costs. Jacob G. E., combination overload, \$14 and costs. Harold G. Mallon, void foreign license, \$1 and costs; no PUC permit, \$10 and costs. Ivan L. Fisher, no license plates, \$1 and costs. Ivan Davies, driver axle overload, \$7.75 and costs. Victor E. Taylor, combination overload, \$11.50 and costs. Jim H. Jenks, combination overload, \$19.25 and costs. Melvin J. Pagano, combination overload, cited.

Police Court Lincoln R. Steiber, drunk, five days suspended sentence. Kelly W. Ethridge, drunk, \$10 fine. R. H. Kahler, Ida Pound, double parking, \$2.50 fine each.

Closing time for Classified Ads 8:30 m—Too Late to Classify 12:15 p. m.

FAR EAST EXPERT APPROVES ALLIED USE OF HIROHITO

Sen. Thomas Favors Use of Yank-Japs, Other People For Occupation Duty

Washington, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—The two foremost authorities on the far east in congress tonight approved allied use of the Japanese emperor in obtaining surrender but warned that we must be ready to change tactics if Hirohito fails to control Japan's military forces.

Sen. Elbert Thomas, D. Utah, chairman of the senate military affairs committee, a teacher in Japan, also proposed that Dutch, Australian, New Zealand, Filipino and American-Japanese troops be used in the occupation of Japan in addition to big four forces.

"That would certainly show the Japanese that this was not a racial war, and that we are willing to give members of the Asiatic races equal opportunities with anyone else," he said.

Rep. Michael Mansfield, D. Mont., considered the No. 1 house expert on far eastern affairs, proposed immediate revision of the Japanese constitution to eliminate the privileged legal position of the military leaders.

Thomas and Mansfield discussed future Japanese problems on the weekly (NBC) radio program, "Our Foreign Policy." They were in general agreement on the policy to be pursued toward Japan, although Thomas was more optimistic about the policy thus far laid out. They agreed that:

- 1. If the allies conduct their occupation of Japan wisely, they can bring about a more democratic way of life in Japan. 2. Using the emperor for obtaining surrender was wise and saved thousands of American lives, but the extent of his future usefulness will bear close watching. 3. A democratic Japan, and a democratic, united, prosperous China are essential to peace in the far east.

Mansfield admitted that China was badly split now between the Chungking and Communist groups. But once its internal difficulties are solved, he said, China will take Japan's place as the great Asiatic power.

Thomas felt that Japan's surrender may force the Chinese factions to settle their differences.

More Atomic Bombs Upon Japan Favored

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 18—(U.P.)—A cablegram tonight was sent to Gen. Douglas MacArthur notifying him that a poll taken in five Pacific northwest cities showed "men on the street" favored dropping more atomic bombs on Japan, by a ratio of 12 to 1. Pacific northwest broadcasters took the poll in Montana, Oregon and Washington. Most of those interviewed suggested "that we drop additional bombs on Japan as convincing evidence that to stall longer or resist further is utterly useless."

GETS SEVENTH REPRIEVE San Quentin, Cal., Aug. 18—(U.P.)—William L. Hough, convicted slayer of his wife and her companion in Los Angeles county in 1942, today was given his seventh reprieve from the San Quentin gas chamber by Lt. Gov. Frederick Houser.



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Flight o' Time

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TEN YEARS AGO August 19, 1935 (It Was Monday)

Suspect who set fire to grass skirt of male hula hula dancer at Legion convention held.

Beck Bakery to remodel and expand.

Fair and slightly warmer. High 83, low 44 degrees.

Prospect school to open September 9.

Premier Mussolini takes new steps towards war with Ethiopia.

TWENTY YEARS AGO August 19, 1925 (It Was Wednesday)

Escaped Salem convict sighted near Grants Pass.

Fair and mild. High 88, low 45 degrees.

Cooler weather prevails upstate after heat wave last week.

Rudolf Valentino, screen lover, and wife plan divorce.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO August 19, 1911 (It Was Saturday)

President Taft denounced in congress for vetoing wool tariff bill.

Pear growers confident of high prices this season.

Good Roads bond issue election to be held September 30.

Work to start at once on Carnegie library here.

ROAD PROGRAM TO START SOON

Salem, Ore., Aug. 18—(U.P.)—Oregon's three-year postwar highway program should be under way by November, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer said today.

Baldock said the \$36,000,000 program will be ready by the time congress gives the "green light" and that he expects congressional action after it reconvenes Sept. 4.

Bids for construction work of the Bear Canyon-State Line section of Pacific highway in Jackson county, amounting to \$200,000, have been called for Aug. 30 by the state highway commission, according to a United Press report yesterday. Work will involve a slide correction over a distance of 2.65 miles with 14,000 cubic yards of earth.

CANCEL CAFE PRICES

San Francisco, Aug. 18—(U.P.)—Ceiling prices on 20 restaurant items were revoked today by Robert D. Parks, district OPA director. Stabilization of restaurant prices through an August, 1944, order requiring eating establishments to post their 40 most popular items made possible the cancellation, Parks said.

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