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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

The main cause of an increase in auto accidents is speed, the National Safety Council reports.

A brief will be filed against the short state income tax blank. Briefly, it will be nothing of the kind.

Thursday the 13th (yesterday) was lucky. It might have been today.

Jean Orr is back from the Pacific. He shows a lack of home cooking.

Farmers report a need of what the windshield wipers wipe, if they work.

THIS IS AMERICA! (Pendleton East Oregonian) DESPERATELY NEEDED—Furn, apt. or house.

A Chicago heiress who through the war years struggled along precariously on \$250,000 per year, had it boosted legally to \$300,000.

Rita Hayworth, film beauty, plans a divorce from Orson Welles, actor, etc., etc., who scared the living daylight out of America.

The British House of Commons ratified the \$4,400,000,000 loan from U. S. after some reluctance about acceptance.

FINE DISTINCTION (Siskiyew News) "This situation has been well known for months to high school and other reckless drivers of more mature years."

The housing shortage reminds the older natives of happier days, when any time a man drove down the Main Stem with a 2x4 lashed to the fenders.

Whipping of two boys at the state industrial schools has caused some uneasiness throughout the state. It seems to have been administered in the basement.

SPIRITUAL AWAKENING The other day Senator Wherry of Nebraska chided Senator Connally of Texas for using the word "damn" in some remarks addressed to his colleagues.

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

Editorial Correspondence

Boston, Mass., Dec. 10—"If I regarded General Eisenhower merely as a professional soldier I would not now be suggesting him for the presidency.

This, from the venerable Senator Capper of Kansas, in a nationwide broadcast.

We agree with everything in the statement except the proposal that General Eisenhower be the presidential nominee of the Republican party.

General Eisenhower would make a good president, as has been stated before in this department.—VERY good.

But as the G.O.P. nominee he would never be elected; the popular feeling against a professional soldier—any professional soldier in the White House, would defeat him before he could get a start.

This goes for Generals MacArthur, Doolittle, Arnold and all the other U. S. generals suggested by the Old Guard, to carry them to victory in 1948,—at least in our opinion.

Ex-Governor Stassen is the best bet for a Republican victory at the present writing and we have an idea he will remain so up to the time of the convention.

Have to give the devil his due. A couple of beautiful days, after a dozen terrible ones,—bright, sunny, cool but not cold.

Governor Tobin has returned from London but the rest of the Bostonian delegates are working overtime to get UNO permanent headquarters on the banks of the Charles.

The latest argument, as reported in the morning paper, is that if Europe should be selected in preference to the U. S. A., the American people would be offended, suspicious and inclined to return to the isolationism of the early '20's.

Oh, come gentlemen, that is putting it a bit strong! If American devotion to a world league-of-peace is so tenuous that the selection of any site outside of the U. S. A. would impair it, then the effort is doomed to failure anyway.

According to local comment, this effort to get UNO headquarters here is only part of a formal detailed drive originally from the Boston Chamber of Commerce, looking toward making Boston the premier convention city of the Atlantic seaboard—some declare of the entire country.

If this plan should go through we wonder where all the delegates would sleep? Certainly not in the hotels at present afforded.

It doesn't make sense, unless the present hotel boom is regarded as short-lived and the need of drumming up hotel trade at a later period, a strong probability.

It is nearly two weeks since the six-month old baby of Mrs. Rose Carlan of nearby Chelsea, was kidnapped, and fears are growing it will never be recovered alive.

The parents are poor, the father a young sailor in the South Pacific, the baby was stolen from its crib when left but a few moments by the mother and in a place where it had never been left before.

It adds up more and more to the act of some demented person,—and a six-months-old baby cared for by a maniac usually doesn't live very long!—R.W.R.

On The Side—By E. V. Durling

Grave authors sad, and witty poets sing. That honest wedlock is a glorious thing.

Frank O'Dwyer, brother of the mayor elect of New York, Frank, who is over six feet tall and weighs 297 is a California farmer.

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BE FOXY THIS WINTER. Illustration of a fox.

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News Behind The News By Paul Mallon

Washington, Dec. 14 — Secretary of State Byrnes goes to Moscow — he says the Iranian government will make the trek also.



State secretary senators and the press into his confidence in off-the-record meetings.

The attitude of the worried senators and individuals is this: We have not established much, except our position in China; we have lost in Iran; the Russians are in the process of conquering that country.

But at least we have not lost abjectly. We have won and lost, by defending our position, the Roosevelt Atlantic charter, against make-believe freedom for peoples and world-democracy.

We ceased our losing because we had an adamant attitude for what we believed was right. Does Mr. Byrnes' trip to Moscow mean we have abandoned that attitude?

Frankly, the senators think it may. They think generally appeasement of Britain (with money) is to be followed by appeasement of Russia (with atom bombs, concessions, eye-blinking regarding Iran, China, and similar pretensions that conquest of Europe and Asia by Russia is unthinkable).

Their understanding is reinforced by two facts, which I think have been unpublished, certainly have not been mentioned prominently:

(A) Mr. Byrnes dropped his adviser, Jimmy Dunn, for the Moscow trip (Dunn had been charged by Moscow enthusiasts as being fascist, Catholic and otherwise unsympathetic with Moscow causes) and Mr. Byrnes is taking in Dunn's place Freeman Matthews, a butterfly diplomat, who was skipped around the world in his assignments yet never got the reputation of being against Russian interests.

Mr. Byrnes is also taking John Carter Vincent, head of the far eastern division, which Pat Hurley said was sabotaging American foreign policy (the democrats sure stopped Hurley, didn't they, Senator Connally?).

In answer and apology to this line of thought, Mr. Byrnes' people explain a crisis of the United Nations organization is now at hand, due to Russian lack of co-operation. If UNO is to be saved, Mr. Byrnes must save it at Moscow, they say.

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My inside information is that Mr. Byrnes went to his office on a recent Sunday and began reading the Yalta agreements. They say he found the agreements calling for meetings of the foreign ministers every three months. (They also called for independence of Iran). These meetings had not been held.

The publicity men may claim that the San Francisco conference came in April (against Yalta's January) and Potsdam came in July, and London in September—but these were not meetings of the foreign ministers as prescribed. The only one which was what was prescribed was the London gathering in September, and it broke up in complete failure, due to Russian opposition.

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requesting early Russian withdrawal of troops from Iran) and in spite of the fact that Mr. Truman had, just the day before, announced he expected no meetings of the Big Three, but thought the UNO could take care of everything.

In the face of the president, Mr. Byrnes asserted the White House had confused the distinction between colossal Big Three (Truman, Atlee and Stalin) and ordinary Big Three (Molotov, Bevin and Byrnes). The latter meeting, he thought

highly desirable and arranged it.

WHAT the senators think is that the Roosevelt people in this country (Mrs. Roosevelt's promotionists, C. I. O., the auto workers, etc.) raised such a publicity opposing Byrnes, even causing communist pickets to demand his ousting in front of his state department one day, that he became frightened of the domestic political consequences of his non-losing policy and decided to embark upon appeasement — which is what the Roosevelt radicals want.

For the present only, they will keep quiet in hopes that the agreements at Moscow will be fair and valid.

Flight o' Time Medford and Jackson Co. History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10, 20 and 34 years ago

TEN YEARS AGO Dec. 14, 1935 (It was Saturday) Gov. Martin flays "carrping critics of Oregon progress."

British attempt to force Ethiopia to accept peace revealed.

Dr. Townsend boasts "political power to rule nation."

Cloudy. High 59, low 30.

Five members of Black Tornado named on All-Southern Oregon team. They are Bob Smith, Dick Lewis, Stan Kunzleman, Baker and Dickinson.

TWENTY YEARS AGO Dec. 14, 1925 (It was Monday) No diphtheria or meningitis epidemic here as rumored.

High school basketball season to start Jan. 16.

William J. Warner is nominated in senate for postmaster-ship here.

Battling Siki, Seneglese pugilist, killed in New York City alley.

Unsettled. High 46, low 35.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO Dec. 14, 1911 (It was Thursday) Christmas rush starts in local stores.

Cloudy. High 47, low 34.

Daily Weather Report

FORECASTS Medford and vicinity: Fair tonight. Increasing cloudiness Saturday. Continued cold, becoming warmer Saturday night.

LOCAL DATA Temperature a year ago today: Highest 50; lowest 26.

Total monthly precipitation .84 inch. Deficiency for the month 35.3 inch. Total precipitation since September 1, 1945, 7.90 inches.

Excess for the season 2.31 inches. Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday 95%; 4:30 today 92%.

Sunrise 7:32 a. m.; Sunset 4:41 p. m. Observations Taken at 4:30 A. M., 120 Meridian Time

Table with columns: Location, High, Low, Prec. Rows include Boise, Boston, Chicago, Denver, Eureka, etc.

Mail Tribune Now Reaches Prospect On Day Published

Delivery of the Medford Mail Tribune to Shady Cove, Trall and Prospect has been resumed after a lapse during the war, it has been announced by Gerald Latham, circulation manager. Papers are taken to the three towns by the Medford-Prospect Transportation company and delivered there the same day.

Latham said as soon as equipment and newsprint is available service to other areas will be expanded and improved. At present, Latham said, newsprint shortage is restricting the number of copies printed.

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