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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Parry

It is now charged 'left-wing groups' want to see the 'profit system' in America ended. This is news to many who don't know it had begun.

The National Liars contest was held at Burlington, Wis., this week. The competition was terrific. Bigger and better ones were told in the last election, and what is worse, devoutly believed them.

'Wanted' - Experienced line-man, rate \$1.50 per hour and stenographer. Douglas Electric Co-operative. (Roseburg News-Review) - Hazards of climbing poles made more so.

Midget washing machines are promised the public next month. Older girls fear they will get them like they did nylons for Christmas.

PIONEER PEEVE
(The Dalles Chronicle)
'On Monday last, the 18th instant, the Columbia river closed with ice, and the boat that left here on the morning of that day did not return. We can safely calculate that for the next two or three months we will have no communication with the western part of the state - nor do we care much whether we do or not.' (75 Yrs. Ago Col.)

One of the Doll girls who arrived Christmas sustained a deep cut and broke a little finger in a fall yesterday. She was weakened by loss of sawdust. Her mother was calmed with a palm shaped sedative.

There is nothing much in the athletic record of both Oregon institutions of higher education to cheer, at the end of the year. Both suffered a dearth of vital victories. In looking around for solace, alumni of Oregon State hereabouts recall and point with pride to a victory over Duke on the gridiron four years ago next Tuesday.

The Big Three - America, Great Britain and Russia - have agreed on control of the atomic bomb. James Caesar Petrillo, the musician union dictator, seems to be in need of some restraining influence just as strong. He needs to be weaned from the notion, he is running America.

SO YOU WANT BUTTER
(Corvallis Gazette Times)
'A mere taxpayer with a hunting dog and a microscope searched the town for butter the other day without success. He then brought him of the college creamery where he noticed several hundred pounds of butter but was informed that it was all for faculty people. He is now trying to get a job on the faculty.'

'The gunman left in a huff with no loot' - (Press Dispatch)
-How do they expect a criminal to lead an honest life, with this kind of bad luck at his heels.

'Local bluffers low men' - (Red Bluff (Cal.) News headline)
-Boast or insult?

Russia is getting ready to take in the affairs of Romania, Rumania, or Rumania, a land that has a form of government for every different way its name is spelled.

The Indians of Arizona, once known as the world's most natural cavalrymen, did not have horses until after the arrival of the early exploring Spaniards.

Letter From Washington

By HARRIS ELLSWORTH
Member of Congress From Oregon

IN LAST WEEK'S letter, I mentioned the efforts being made to secure additional supplies of protein meal for Oregon agriculture, and the hope that meal processors might respond without the necessity of regulatory measures. I have been advised by the Department of Agriculture that the processors have formed a pool and have agreed to ship to Oregon 2,000 additional tons of soy and linseed meal during December.

THE 79TH CONGRESS will be in recess between sessions until January 14. By working long hours, most of the pending legislation which was ready for action on the floor, was disposed of before adjournment. In January, several outstandingly important and highly controversial pieces of legislation will doubtless come out of committee and reach the floor. These include peacetime military training, the unification of the armed forces, and quite likely, some labor legislation.

CHRISTMAS one year ago was the darkest and most

gloomy Christmas in our recent history. The German army was making its final and tragically successful drive against us in Europe, and the war in the Pacific was at its highest peak. We felt confident of ultimate victory, but victory then seemed to be a long way off.

By contrast, and in spite of the fact that we are suffering from many of the pains incident to readjustment to peacetime economy, this is the happiest Christmas season for many years.

Here in Washington, we are going to have a white Christmas and a cold Christmas, but there is optimism, because, when the holidays are over and the new year begins, most of us feel that the problems of today, insurmountable as they seem to be, can and will be solved. Having just emerged victorious from such a stupendous world-wide conflict, during which our armaments and our machinery of production amazed the world with their achievements, the people of our country are not going to fail to win out in the effort to restore a happy and prosperous country.

So, in this, my last letter of the eventful year of 1945, I wish you a Merry Christmas and the best of all New Years.

On The Side—By E. V. Durling

(Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

Sleep sweetly, my little child.
Lie peacefully and still.
As the bird in the woods,
Sleep, sweetly sleep;
As the flowers that take
A wink of sleep in the forests.

(Else Sonnes Nissen, now of Washington, D. C., says above is the lullaby her mother sang to her when she was a little girl in a small Wisconsin town).

In the United States there are four towns named Tokio. And 13 towns named Berlin. There is a place named MacArthur in West Virginia, but nowhere in this fair land of ours is there a town named Eisenhower. How about one of the towns named Berlin changing its name to Eisenhower to honor a great general and a regular fellow.

Queries from clients. Q. In what year was the tune title 'Japanese Sandman' popular? And how popular was it? A. The tune you mention was very popular around 1920. It sold over 3,500,000 copies. Q. In approximately what year did wearing bobby socks become the style among teen age females? A. Your query stops me. Our Horses & Women department should have something in its files on the history of the bobby sock but it hasn't. As a guess, I believe the girls started wearing bobby socks around 1930. That was during the depression. They wore bobby socks because they couldn't afford silk stockings for every day wear to school.

'As for men born under the sign of Leo (July 23-Aug. 22),' writes a young woman of Manhattan, 'I have known a number of Leos and here is how I found them: 1. No sense of humor. 2. They think they are God's gift to women. 3. You must always agree with them. 4. Stubborn to the nth degree. 5. They are incurable egoists.'

Some of the horsemen ruled off or suspended in the recent turf scandals state they will take their cases before the courts to secure reinstatement. This recalls the players of the Chicago White Sox involved in the baseball scandal of 1919 had their cases tried in court. The trial ended in an acquittal for the players but none were ever permitted to play in organized baseball again. Judge Landis ruled against their reinstatement and that settled it as far as the baseball magnates were concerned.

Los Angeles has a bachelors club. Also a spinsters club. New York has a divorcees club. San Francisco has an ex-wives club. Brooklyn has a grass widow club. Chicago has a grandmothers club. But no city I know of has a mothers-in-law club. Such an organization might prove very interesting to its members. They could sit around and tell each other what is wrong about the way their grandchildren are being brought up by their daughters-in-law.

Tom Farrell, the debonair publisher, in all his life he has never worked for anybody but himself. He is a Brown University graduate. He was at Brown the years its football team nearly beat Dartmouth. . . . Conrad Nagel. The greatest actor ever born in Keokuk, Ia. Made his first hit playing 'Youth In Experience.' Remember that play?

yet which allows this awful slaughter to continue, is surely weak some place.

A Reader (name on file)

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. 28, 1935
(It was Saturday)
High wind and rain roar over city and valley. The wind hit 48 miles per hour at its height.

Al Smith declines bid to White House by Mrs. Roosevelt on eve of anti-New Deal talk.

Ethiopia claims decisive win over Italy on northern front.

Medford five outclasses Butte Falls 41 to 23.
TWENTY YEARS AGO
Dec. 28, 1925
(It was Tuesday)
President Coolidge comes out for 'sound and sane farm policy without frills.'

Movies and World War blamed for decline of religion in nation.

Fred Scheffel is named new commander of the American Legion.

Reform society starts war on short skirts and 'flappers' smoking cigarettes.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO
Dec. 28, 1911
(It was Thursday)
J. Pierpont Morgan, financial emperor reported in poor health.

Snow falling in the Siskiyouous Holiday steers selling on Portland market at 10 cents per pound. Hogs bring \$6.40.

Storm brings .51 of an inch of rain to the valley.

TALENT GRANTS 14 BUILDING PERMITS

Talent, Dec. 28 - Permission for the construction of 14 new homes was granted by the city during the current year according to building permit applications filed by the recorder, Mrs. Edith Coffman.

During 1945, 31 authorizations for building and repair work valued at \$18,152.61, have been issued. Figures for 1944 were 23 permits and \$14,100 valuation.

Ted Gamble Quits War Bond Drives With Honor Only

Washington, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Ted R. Gamble, the man who directed the sale of \$155,000,000 in U. S. war bonds and securities, leaves his job as war financial director Dec. 31 with four \$1 salary checks to show for his efforts.

The four checks representing Gamble's salary as a dollar-a-year man don't tell the entire story. Gamble, 39, is one of the most energetic men that ever took an executive post in government. He did as he said he would - cut the red tape and got the job done.

His job will be taken over by Vernon L. Clark, Des Moines, Ia., lumberman. Gamble will resume personal supervision at his theatre chain in Oregon.

Theft of Hound Dog Causes Stir In State Court

Columbus, O. - (U.P.) - This is a point of interest to every hound-dog lover - does he have any value if he isn't registered?

Willard Weekly, charged with stealing a \$100 hound dog, was found guilty of larceny. But the appeals court sent the case to the Ohio supreme court to find out if he could be guilty of larceny when no taxes were paid on the dog.

Larceny is defined as a theft of an article with value. What the supreme court wants to know is - if a dog on which no taxes have been paid is stolen, can the theft be classed as larceny? Or in simple words - does the dog rate any value.

Big-game animal hides are being collected in Sheridan, Wyo., by boys of an Explorer Scout unit. The hides will be shipped to alleviate an acute leather shortage.

NEW YEARS EVE CHRISTIAN CELEBRATION
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CHICAGO WIDOW RECALLS CLINE

San Francisco, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Authorities investigating the past of Alfred Leonard Cline turned their attention today to a Chicago widow who reportedly believed she was an "intended victim" of the 56-year-old former convict.

In an interview published here Mrs. Jane Hough, 47, widow, of a former Chicago sanitary engineer, recalled meeting Cline in September, 1944, remarking that "I know he intended to use me some way, perhaps as a victim, or perhaps to introduce him to older and richer women."

She said Cline struck up a conversation with her in the lobby of Chicago's Palmer House and that he pursued her acquaintance through correspondence. He last wrote from Portland, Ore., saying that he planned to call on her soon.

The letter was dated Dec. 1, 1945, two days after the death in Portland of a woman Cline identified as his wife, Mrs. Delora Krebe-Cline but believed to have been Mrs. Isabelle Van Natta, a San Francisco widow.

16 PER CENT GET TRICHINOUS PORK

Chicago, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - At least 16 per cent of the population annually becomes infected from eating infected pork, the Journal of American Medical Association reported today.

Dr. S. E. Gould, Eloise, Mich., writing in the Dec. 29 issue, estimated that the average American annually eats three servings of trichinous pork containing larvae that penetrate to the blood stream through reproduction of additional larvae.

"In well-marked cases, nausea, vomiting, colicky pains and diarrhea appear on the second or third day," Gould wrote. "When the parasites invade the muscles a week or 10 days later, there is acute inflammation, manifested by pain and soreness, swelling of the face, profuse sweating and fever somewhat resembling typhoid fever."

A major source of trichinous pork, Gould said, is in meat products that have not been cooked enough or were inadequately processed.

JAP COMMANDER PLEADS INNOCENT

Yokohama, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Chotar Furushima, former Japanese prison camp commandant charged with brutal atrocities against American prisoners, pleaded not guilty today as his trial opened before an eight-man military commission.

Prosecutor Major John W. Renshard, Trenton, N. J., told correspondents he would demand the death penalty for Furushima.

The first prosecution witness, Lt. N. E. Churchill, Toledo, O., member of a prisoner of war recovery team that visited Furushima's camp Sept. 4, said he saw many prisoners whose feet had been burned by Japanese guards. He testified that the guard rubbed the burns with salve then ignited the salve.

TANKER EXPLOSION TAKES NINE LIVES

Texas City, Tex., Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Termed by its captain the "worst tanker disaster in Swedish history," the explosion which yesterday ripped through the tanker "Sveaborg" today had claimed nine lives.

The only body recovered so far was Oscar Ellis Fransson, 32, seaman, from Norrkoping, Sweden, who had earlier been reported safe in jail.

Eight bodies were still missing and divers so far had been unable to enter the submerged compartments of the tanker. Cause of the explosion was

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Livestock

Portland, Ore., Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Livestock: Cattle 25, calves 10. Mostly a cleanup market; steers lacking. Medium-good steers this week slightly easier at \$15.00-17.50; few common heifers today \$10.50-13.00; canner cows \$6.50; medium beef cows up to \$12.00; one outstanding 1915 lb. bull up to \$13.00; good-choice vealers salable \$14.00-14.50; choice above \$11 lb. feeder plus quotable \$15.00-15.50; good 65 lb. feeders late Thursday down to \$10.00; common 35 lb. today \$6.00.

Sheep none. Nominal. Good-choice woolled lambs quoted \$13.75-14.25; common grades down to \$11.00; good ewes salable \$4.20-5.00. Market open Monday, closed New Year's Day.

South San Francisco, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - (USA) - Cattle 25. Steady. Load common 844 range cows \$10.50, sorted four head \$9.50. For week 770; good steers and heifers scarce, quoted \$15.00-17.00; mostly stock. Bulk common and medium cows \$10.00-12.50; cutter \$7.75-8.25; canners \$6.50-7.25. Good bulls \$12.00-12.50. Salable for week 30. Steady. Package good calves \$14.00.

Hogs 150. Mostly late arrivals yesterday. Steady. For week: 650. Broad demand. Sheep none. Around 450 head of holdovers common to medium lambs offered. For week: 1,000. Choice lambs absent. Bulk common to medium \$12.00-13.75. Heavy woolled ewes \$6.25.

Chicago, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - (WFA) - Livestock: Hogs—7,500; active, fully steady. Good and choice barrows and gilts 60 and up at \$14.85; good and choice sows at \$14.10. Cattle: 3,000; calves: 300; general market active, fully steady. Large steer and yearling run. Reliable outside demand on medium and good grade selling at \$13.75-16.50; about a dozen loads \$18; the ceiling; scattered supply \$17.25-17.75. Sheep: 4,000; active, steady. Good and choice native lambs \$15.12.50; latter price the top and paid for most good and choice fed woolled westerns averaging 90 to 120 lbs.

Portland Produce

Portland, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Wholesale market prices: Live poultry: Chickens—buying price of wholesalers: Broilers 1 1/2 to 2 lbs., 20c; roasters over 3 1/2 lbs., 25c. Garlic—Oregon 40c lb.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Wheat: Open High Low Close May 180 180 180 180 July 179 179 179 179 Sept 176 176 175 176 Dec 174 174 174 174

S. F. DAIRY PRICES

San Francisco, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Dairy market: Butter: B3 score 48 1/2, B2 score 48, B0 score 47 1/4. Cheese: Loafs 28.2, triplets 27.2. Eggs: Large grade A 53 1/2, medium grade A 48 1/2, small grade A 42 1/2, large grade B 47 1/2.

Wall Street

New York, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - A rally in railroad issues helped steady the stock market today after an irregular decline in the early dealings. Volume declined from yesterday's pace.

Demand for the Rails was seen as belated recognition of the importance of the I.C.C. postponement of rail freight changes, and a proposal for higher rates for railroads generally. Preliminary closing Dow-Jones stock averages: Industrial 192.43, up 0.12; Rails 62.91, up 0.25; Utilities 38.15, up 0.09, 65 Stocks 72.03, up 0.13. Sales totaled 1,090,000 shares compared with 1,320,000 yesterday.

Today's closing prices on selected stocks: American Tel. & Teleg. 189 1/2 Anaconda 44 3/4 Chrysler 134 Curtiss Wright 73 General Electric 46 3/4 General Motors 73 1/2 Montgomery Ward 73 1/2 Penn. R. R. 42 1/2 Phillips Petroleum 57 3/4 J. C. Penney 149 Radio 173 Southern Pacific 59 Standard Oil of California 47 1/2 Texas Gulf Sulphur 48 1/2 Transamerica 20 3/4 United Aircraft 34 3/4 U. S. Rubber 67 1/2 U. S. Steel 81 1/2

Hold Wheat Ceiling

Washington, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - The Office of Price Administration said today that, despite reports to the contrary, ceiling prices on wheat will not be increased. Present ceilings reflect parity to growers and are thus sufficient to meet the Price Control Act, OPA said.

Card Takes 36 Years

Rosemead, Cal. - (U.P.) - On June 11, 1909, Mrs. C. C. Greenwalt mailed a post card to her friend, Mrs. Laura Williams. Some 36 years later, on Sept. 15 of this year, Mrs. Williams received the card.

CHIANG STUDIES PEACE PROPOSAL

Chungking, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and government leaders are studying the Chinese communist proposal for immediate end of the civil war and are expected to reply within a few days. Information Minister K. C. Wu said today.

The proposal was submitted in writing as communist and nationalist leaders resumed unity meetings yesterday after a 40-day deadlock. Wu said another session was scheduled Saturday.

Wu charged today that the "cease fire" proposal had been made by the communists because "they realize the weakness of their military forces."

Early Strike End Lumber Union Aim

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - The policy committee of the Northwest Council, Lumber and Sawmill Workers' Union (AFL) which has directed the three-month-old lumber strike, began its second day of closed session today to promote an early end of the walkout.

John M. Christie of Seattle, chairman of the group, said that he believed the strike, which began last Sept. 24, could be settled by the new year "if one of the mill operators would take the lead and accept our demands of \$1.05 an hour minimum."

FIGHTER PILOT LUCKY

Seattle, Dec. 28 - (U.P.) - A marine fighter pilot who bailed out of his storm-tossed plane near Mount St. Helen's, Wash., late yesterday, walked unhurt into the little town of Yale, northeast of Vancouver, Wash., today, 13th naval district reported. Navy spokesmen identified the

marine only as "Walling" and said his initials and rank were not immediately known.

Jefferson Barracks, Mo., is the oldest army post west of the Mississippi river.

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