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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

Millions of Americans are now mad at the President, like they were mad at Hoover in 1933. In their distemper, they blame him for everything, most of it without justification, as was the case with Herbert.

John (Lt) Dallaire, recently out of the army and Italy, is back at the 1st Nat. fiduciary depository.

Hog-killing is the order of the day in the rural regions. Hermy O'fenbacher of the Appl-gate stuck pigs Tues., also Jim O'Brien and Jno. Wilkinson.

The Fletch Fish boy, T. David of Phoenix is now jabbering. He said something to his Paw Wed. It was just as well his old man was unable to decode. The Hale Wheeler boy Gail is also becoming highly oratorical.

Wrestling was resumed at the Army Wed. eve. The referee lost his shirt in a melee faster than the taxpayers will lose theirs between now and March 15.

1938 model lambs are gambling in country pastures. The new arrivals feel good and jump up in the air and land stiff-legged.

Quite a hegra of local folks have gone south to drink spring water, trod the hot sands of the desert, and gawk at movie kings and queens.

Due to the butter shortage, many valley Maws are churning their own. The OPA states this is not cricket, but the little boys and girls know their bread is buttered on one side or the other.

Royal, of the Eagle Pt. Browns, townied in mid-week. In his hey-day he was an actor, and wrung the neck of many a villain in the third act. Last year he was desperate to see a ball game, and went to Portland to see one.

Nearly every day some new aboriginal cussedness of the Nazi big shots is brought out, in their trial at Nurnberg. The world is getting the impression they were a low-down lot.

H. Flewler, the demon baker, late of the army, has been named pres. of the Jack. Cham. of Comm.

Bicycle and dog licenses are the order of the day, and are bought briskly with no shortage in sight of either.

The B. Tornado quint crunched G. P. Fri night 34-10.

Joe Kahut, the "Pride of Woodburn", the metropolis, and Willamette valley points was flattened, along with many pocketbooks, by Gus Lesvenich Fri. eve. The outcome stunned the sporting ed. of this paper, and Dewey Hill, the Prospect hired man and athlete.

The Wig Ashpole boy Charles, and the Dick Phair boy Dick, are over the flu, and again in circulation.

Hundreds of robins who have never been away, have returned. The Meadow-Larks, notorious singers, who never tackle a song they can't sing, are also active.

The valley had a touch of winter, the past week. It was a pleasant change in the weather, and did nothing to the oncoming pear crop.

Peace in China?

According to wire reports the "cease firing" order has been delivered in embattled China, and for the first time in over a decade peace will soon reign in far-off Cathay.

A great achievement, and credit for same must be given to General Marshall, our new envoy to Chungking.

But this is a case where those who know most about China, its internal situation, and the Chinese character, will be disposed to await further developments before joining in any celebration.

FOR an order to cease firing is one thing; restoring law and order throughout China something else again.

Moreover, there can be no PERMANENT peace in China until one side or the other in this bitter struggle really backs down.

Either the Chinese Communists must agree to disband their armies or submit them to absolute control by Chiang Kai Shek, or—

Chiang Kai Shek must agree to abandon the conservative agrarian and private policies of his party and take a sharp turn to the left, if not go over to outright Communistic ideology and practice.

WHEN official word comes from China that either of these two vital steps has been taken, this department will join in the celebration, such a political miracle would deserve.

But until then, we shall feel constrained to keep the editorial fingers crossed, and spiritually speaking, maintain our habitat in Mr. Truman's great state of Missouri.

Revolt in the Army?

Speaking of China,—a British general in Hong Kong is reported to be greatly alarmed by the signs of revolt and dissension in the American army.

Well, a British general would be. So would any regular U. S. army officer in this country, for that matter.

For the first duty of a good soldier in any army, is to obey and keep his mouth shut.

The American doughboys are obeying, but they are not keeping their mouths shut,—they want to get home, and they are making no bones about saying so.

A CERTAIN U. S. army officer in Manila made the best rejoinder when he stated to a group of vocal malcontents:

"Boys, you are not in General Motors, you are in the army now."

They are in the army now and they should accept without protest whatever their superior officers declare the official program of discharge to be. Now that their commander-in-chief, the President himself has publicly endorsed this official demobilization plan, perhaps they will.

BUT, if they don't, it should, we think, cause no particular alarm.

For it is not, as the British general fears, a revolt,—in the accepted military sense at least. It is a perfectly natural vocal reaction of any essentially civilian and non-professional army, which is forced to remain in service, particularly thousands of miles from home, when the reasons for such service are over.

This American army in World War No. II was undoubtedly the greatest FIGHTING army this country has ever seen.

But the boys in it went abroad to fight, not to do guard-duty, police duty, or week after week, nothing much at all.

And naturally they don't like it. They want to get out at the earliest possible moment. And those who have been in the army longest want to get out of it most,—and should as far as that is concerned.

BUT they can't ALL get out at once. And some, as the President has stated, can't get out at all,—at least until the conditions, both in Europe and the Far East materially change. A larger peace army than ever before must be maintained.

The question, therefore, comes down to this,—who should get out now and who should stay on the job?

There is the fly in this particular ointment. Says President Truman:

"I have reviewed once more the army and navy procedures. I am convinced, as every American who examines the record must be, that the services are carrying out demobilization with all possible speed, with commendable efficiency and with justice to all concerned."

Well, that is plain enough.

And it puts the burden of proof certainly upon those who maintain otherwise,—particularly that justice to the service men is NOT being done.

In lieu of such proof this department is certain, the present agitation and unrest in the army will soon die down and the rank and file will do their duty in peace, however irksome it may be, as they did it so admirably in war.

P. S.

Those who can't understand this resentful sentiment in the army, probably fail to realize what a change there has been in CIVILIAN morale since the Second World War ended. We were all fighting shoulder to shoulder behind the front six months ago, there was little, if any, internal dissension.

Now the country is filled with it as this epidemic of strikes is only one evidence. The army, naturally, reflects the sentiment back home.

The army, to repeat, is not a professional but a

civilian army, called into service only to do one thing,—defeat the enemy.

That done, the boys can see no sense in carrying a gun longer, they want to call it a day and get back home!—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.

DAMPNESS AND HEALTH

The rheumatics like to have the world believe they can "feel in their bones" an approaching storm or change of weather, but just between ourselves the neurotics, the psychotics and most other invalids or valedudinarians react to change of weather just as much as the rheumatics do, only the rheumatics have pre-empted the privilege of telling the world about it.



Dr. Brady

Dr. Brady has pre-empted the privilege of telling the world about it. Patsy and Willum conferred about the situation one day when I asked their mamas not to take them up the icy mountain road for winter sports; they decided that I am an old fussbudget. There may be some truth in that I am almost impossible to live with when the winter rains come and the bowling greens are just duck ponds forever and a day. The dampness gets me down then, my general manager can tell you. I take it out on my readers—for certainly I serve things heavily sauced with sarcasm at that time of year.

Perhaps you will have little confidence in my views or opinions regarding dampness. That depends on how old you are other than chronologically. If you are still young enough to think for yourself, what do you think of my advice? My advice is as follows:

1. Never mind dampness anywhere at any time if you can contrive to keep physically comfortable.

2. Never worry about getting wet through and having to wear the wet clothes for hours or days before you can change to dry.

3. Never concern yourself about wet feet, so far as health is concerned. Wetting may not be good for shoes but I assure you it is harmless to health in any circumstance.

4. If you have any sort of chronic joint trouble or chronic respiratory disease or chronic sinusitis or chronic cardiovascular disease or chronic nerve disease, and economic or other conditions prevent a sojourn or a move to another climate, don't feel deprived of a possible cure—none of the people who go away for their health (as they say) will find a cure at the end of the rainbow.

5. Remember, there is ultraviolet in daylight everywhere, winter and summer, and if you are in earnest about it you can absorb your share of it right there at home regardless of climate, season or weather.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Second Cup of Coffee
Certainly enjoy reading your column with my second cup of coffee every morning. So far as getting out of chuckles as well as real help... We have three children aged 2, 3 and 7 years. How would you like to just how to word the pledge against alcohol and tobacco. (Mrs. M. W. J.)

Answer—Perhaps one of our W. C. T. U. friends, if any, will supply a copy of the pledge.

Chloramine
Read in scientific journal that chloramine tablets are a good anti-septic mouthwash. I have found them excellent as dentifrice too—one tablet dissolved in one-half glassful of water. What effect would they have on the teeth? (M. H.)

Answer—Convenient way to apply chlorine as antiseptic. Chlorine is the active element in chlorinated lime (commonly called chlorox). It is somewhat used as disinfectant. It is somewhat deodorant. In my opinion plain soap, any soap you have handy, is as good as anything else to keep mouth and teeth clean. Not even chlorine is a better antiseptic than soap or any other thing I know of.

Mineral Oil and Malnutrition
Kindly inform me if mineral oil interferes with the effect of vitamins. Have you told it dissolves and carries away the goodness of the vitamins. (L. J. Mell)

Answer—Mineral oil interferes with assimilation of vitamins and minerals and other essential nutritional elements. A spoonful or two of flax seeds (raw, unroasted) daily will more nearly give the natural internal lubrication of the healthy muscular system. (L. J. Mell)

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YANK COMMANDER IN EUROPE ASKS END G.I. PROTEST

Frankfurt, Jan. 12—(U.P.)—Gen. Joseph T. McNarney asked soldiers in the European theater today not to hold any more demobilization demonstrations and a delegation of 55 GI's agreed that the need for them no longer existed.

McNarney, commander of American army forces in Europe, told the servicemen that the demonstrations could have a bad effect on both Germans and other occupation forces. He admitted, however, that they had "served a useful purpose."

The soldier representatives met informally with McNarney and staff officers to ask questions and make complaints about redeployment delays.

Before the questioning began, McNarney listed three reasons why American forces could not leave the European theater immediately:

1. The United States has accepted occupation responsibilities.

2. Millions of dollars worth of surplus property must be disposed of.

3. Many prisoners of war and Nazis must be guarded and controlled.

T/S Norman M. Rose, Los Angeles, took advantage of McNarney's plea for frankness when he complained that his work as army photographer consisted of taking pictures of "redeploying dogs" and "generals trading decorations."

AXIS PRISONERS HOME VIA CANAL

San Francisco, Jan. 12—(U.P.)—Italian service units, troops and Axis prisoners of war will begin clearing through the San Francisco port of embarkation during the next several weeks on their way home via the Panama canal, the port commander reported.

The prisoners and other troops originate in the various service commands west of the Mississippi river and are being shipped to the west coast by rail coaches which have been dead-headed from the east to pickup returning American soldiers.

Boy Hit By Auto Remains in Coma

Condition of Jimmie Dennis, 11-year-old son of George R. Dennis, 517 South Holly street, was reported the same yesterday by attendants at Sacred Heart hospital. The boy was taken to the hospital last Saturday after suffering a severe skull fracture when struck while riding his bicycle at the intersection of 11th and Holly streets by a car operated by Leland Breedlove, 17, route 1. Young Dennis has not recovered consciousness since the accident, the hospital reported.

Breedlove is serving a 30-day jail sentence in the county jail, charged with operating without a license.

What's Doing at U. S. O.

Miss Connie Meador will serve as junior hostess at the Java club, held from 9:30 to 12 noon today at the Riverside USO.

During the Twilight Reverie beginning at 5 p. m., Miss Maryanne Smith will sing. Junior Hostesses Margaret Sullivan and Irene Janie Hayes will assist ladies of the Zonta club in preparing the Pantry Shelf at 6 p. m.

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

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TEN YEARS AGO
January 13, 1936
(It Was Monday)
Gale off Columbia Bar sinks freighter with loss of 34 seamen.
Five new CCC units will be dispatched to vacant camps here.
Unsettled with showers. High 50, low 41.
Rogue River swollen by recent rains.
Buying of auto licenses in state exceeds last year.
"Charleston contest" to be held at Craterian.
State game commission adopts fish protective regulations for Rogue.
More fog. High 35, low 21.
Icy pavements blamed for series of minor auto accidents.
Pheasant hunting to last a week next fall, game board announces.
THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO
January 13, 1912
(It Was Saturday)
Straw vote shows Jackson county overwhelmingly for LaFollette.
Rain. High 42, low 27.
Club formed to work for women's suffrage in this county.
Bills passed by house for wagon roads in Crater Lake park.

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OWN IMAGE IRKS BROWNSBORO BULL
A young Jersey bull on the Harold Johnson farm in the Brownsboro district, recently became infuriated at the sight of his reflection in the Johnson family auto, and butted out all the windows in the car. Johnson was not at home when the rampage started, but Mrs. Johnson was. She remained in the house, and watched the bull. Johnson reported the incident to Harvey W. Robertson, a neighbor and insurance agent, who informed him his insurance on the car had lapsed.

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PRINTERS ACCEPT SEATTLE PAPERS PAY COMPROMISE

Seattle, Jan. 12—(U.P.)—The 55-day-old Seattle newspaper strike ended tonight as striking printers voted to accept a publishers offer which increased daily printers wages \$2.65 and night shift union men's salaries by \$2.90.

Staffs of the morning Post Intelligencer and the Times streamed back into long-lidde newsrooms as picket lines were lifted, and prepared to turn out editions tonight and Sunday.

The publishers' offer, a compromise to union demands for a \$2.95 daily wage increase, was retroactive from Sept. 18 to Nov. 18, the day printers walked out to support their demands.

Meantime, worried city officials were closeted with three U. S. conciliation officers, officials of the Bus Drivers union, and the Seattle Transit commission in efforts to settle a two-day transit tie-up which has left 250,000 residents without transportation.

End of the newspaper strike came less than three hours after machinists in 47 up-town shops voted overwhelmingly in favor of striking to support 30 per cent wage increase demands. Date for the machinists strike was not set pending word from the union's Washington, D. C., headquarters.

LIVESTOCK CHIEF
Denver, Jan. 12—(U.P.)—The American National Livestock Association today elected William B. Wright of Deeth, Nev., as its president to succeed A. D. Brownfield of Deming, N. M.

REFINANCE with LOCAL FUNDS
See Mr. Kyle at FIRST FEDERAL Savings & Loan Assn. of Medford 27 North Holly