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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The secretary of state reports

"prevailing speeds are creeping

up on Oregon highways." The

prevailing "creep" is 57 mph,

much too fast to creep up on an

icy spot.

...

The junior senator from this

state engaged in a general re-

vamping and renovating of the

republican party is getting more

publicity in the East than Joe

Gordon of Eugene, who sky-

rocketed to fame as second base-

man of the New York Yankees.

...

The first rumor in several

weeks showed up yes. Every-

body knew it wasn't so but en-

joyed it immensely.

...

SUCH IS FAME

(S.F. Chronicle)

"There were no three-sheets

around town advertising Ar-

tur Schnabel's recital on Mon-

day night, there was little

newspaper publicity, and no-

body asked the music critics

to interview Schnabel on the

air. Nevertheless, the Opera

house was jammed to the last

available inch of space, and

after a big program contain-

ing absolutely nothing that the

public wants, the public stood

on its hind legs and gave forth

with one of the biggest ovations

the Opera House has ever

witnessed."

...

According to a Baltimore news

report, 3,000,000 men's shirts

made to sell for \$3 each are held

in a warehouse by OPA ceiling

regulations. As long as they are

held in the warehouse, prospec-

ive wearers can't lose them.

...

The mayor of Tacoma, Wash.,

## Colonial Powers Maneuver For Favorable Position As Independence Efforts Loom

By Louis F. Keemle

United Press Staff Correspondent

Entirely outside the formal UNO deliberations in London, the colonial powers are engaged in intricate maneuvering to strengthen their positions.

They are mending their fences in preparation for the coming big change in the status of overseas possessions, dependencies or "spheres of influence" which is in the air.

### EVENTUAL SELF-GOVERNMENT UP TO UNO

Sooner or later, these matters will come under the jurisdiction of the United Nations Organization, whose charter looks toward eventual self-government for all peoples entitled to it.

Britain and her dominions, the Netherlands, France and Belgium naturally are anxious to be in a favorable position when the demands of the dependent peoples come before the court of world opinion. The United States, Soviet Russia and China also are involved.

The United States wants control of former Japanese island holdings in the Pacific. Russia has been promised the Kuriles and Sakhalin Island and is interested in the Mediterranean-North Africa sphere. China is concerned with Korea, Formosa and the mainland of southeast Asia.

### NO GREAT DIFFICULTY SEEN WITH RUSSIA

From what has come out of London and Washington in recent days, no great difficulty is expected over Russia's claim to the Kuriles or Sakhalin, nor for that matter, to the desire of the United States to have virtually undisputed control of certain strategic Pacific island bases. In neither case is any question of self-government involved, nor are the areas in question anything except an economic liability, rather than an asset.

The Dutch East Indies, the Malay States, French Indo-China, Siam and Burma, to name a few, present a far more complicated problem. The demand of these peoples for independence cannot be hushed, nor are they showing any disposition to be bought off with promises of future emancipation "maybe."

The example of the United States course in the Philippines is before their eyes, to the discomfort of the colonial powers. The outcome of India's struggle for independence also is being watched with eager eyes all through the Indonesian world.

In the face of this situation, Britain, Holland and France have taken energetic and in some instances rather hard-handed measures.

### BRITISH DRIVE STIFF BARGAIN WITH SIAM

Britain drove a stiff bargain with Siam as the price of having sided with Japan under a puppet government in the war. Japanese troops have been used in the Dutch Indies and Indo-China to help quell nationalist uprisings, although the presence of British troops in the Indies is justified partly on the ground that the remaining Japanese must be rooted out.

The British in fact have a foothold in the Dutch Indies, and it would not be surprising if they sought a future larger share in the commercial benefits of that rich area, regardless of whether there is independence, a compromise on "benevolent" Dutch protectorship, or an interim trusteeship under the UNO.

These questions are almost bound to reach the UNO once it is fully established. The State of Cambodia in French Indo-China, for instance, has drawn up charges against the French, and has been striving to get a hearing from the UNO, accusing France of imposing harsh colonial rule despite promises of independence. Cambodia has not got its hearing, but has not given up trying.

## On The Side—By E. V. Durling

(Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

I am quite sure he thinks that I am God. I know it because I depend on him for life, and all things that his bounty sends. My dear old dog, most constant of all friends. He looks love at me, deep as words ever spoke. And from me never crumb or sup will take. But was thanks with his moist vocal tail.

—William Crosswell Doane.

Above is an excerpt from one of the extremely touching poems

Bishop Doane wrote about his dog "Cluny." The reference to

Cluny's "most vocal tail" particularly appeals to me. When

Cluny became aged and feeble he always managed to muster

sufficient strength to climb the stairs to see his master, who for a

long period was confined to bed by illness. In describing this

Bishop Doane wrote four lines which I believe among the most

touching ever written about a dog. They follow:

He had lived out his life, but not

his love;

Daily up steep and weary stair

he came,

His big heart bursting with the

strain, to prove

His loneliness without me.

Life Detectors

The "lie detector" is figuring

prominently in many current

criminal cases. Much depend-

ency seems to be placed on the

efficiency of this machine. If it

is all claimed for it, why

wouldn't it be a good idea to

manufacture a popular priced

lie detector for home use? This

might be of assistance in keep-

ing wayward husbands in line.

How about you, sir? Would you

self to the lie detector, while the

little lady asked you in a cold,

hard voice "Where have you

been, and with whom?"

Nothing New

"Rayon that is stronger than

nylon." That is what the British

textile physics authority, Prof.

W. T. Astbury says of a product

called "fortisan" recently origi-

nated in England. Despite his

high praise of the new product

the professor was co-servative

in expressing a view as to what

it might do for the hosiery prob-

lems of females. Said he: "Whether it will mean real lad-

derly no more." Well, anyway, Savannah Churchill should in-

clude this in her repertoire.

Murder Mysteries

In 1945 there were 28 murder

mysteries in London and Scot-

land Yards solved 23 of them.

Quite a record. Nevertheless, I

do not believe Scotland Yard is

any more efficient in crime de-

tection than the New York po-

lice department. If you want to

argue this point say so and I

will go into detail.

Asking

Queries From Clients: Q. Isn't

Jim Thorpe, the great all around

athlete of bygone days, half In-

dian and half Irish? A. Jim says

he is "five-eighths Indian, two-

eighths Irish and one-eighth

French." Q. How do you pro-

nounce Sonja Heine. A. Son-ya

Hay-nee. Q. As to who Ypsilanti,

Mich., is named after the cor-

poral, who is from Detroit says

a Greek philosopher is honored.

How about it? A. The charming

city is named after Dmitri Ypsi-

lanti, a Greek patriot. Of course

he may have also been a philo-

sopher but it was the activities

as a patriot that inspired the

mentioned honor.

Please Note

Billy Conn, pride of Pitts-

burgh, weighed 170 pounds the

first time he fought Joe Lewis.

Now he weighs 193 and is a real

heavyweight. Billy's followers

seem to think this additional

weight improves his chances. I

don't agree. Conn weighing 193

may not be as fast as 170. And

if Billy isn't as fast or faster

than he was last time he won't

last more than five rounds with

Joe. The kind of fellow who

could give Louis a really tough

evening would be a fast light

heavyweight with a sock. Some-

## News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, Jan. 31—Those inquisitive congressional souls who have been searching in vain for the deeper meanings behind the perplexing British loan have come upon some fresh circumstances which will be aired in the congressional debate. What Britain intends to do with the nearly \$4,000,000,000 has been the chief unexplained aspect. Official state department publicity claimed the money was to be spent in this country. The overseas trade secretary in London now says only half the money would be spent here, some for food and some for machinery. But Sir Stafford Cripps says Britain's purchases of food and machinery will be paid for with new exports to us which rather confuses even the official British position.

... BUT our food shortages are generally expected to continue indefinitely, and we are similarly likely to remain short of machinery in billion-dollar quantities. Why, then, the loan? Well, some congressmen suspect the loan was made, from our standpoint, solely to get the British to help us break our tariff system in the promised forthcoming world trade conference. You will recall the administration at the last congressional session succeeded in getting authority to cut tariffs 50 per cent more beyond the 50 per cent effected in the Hull reciprocal trade program—making a 75 per cent reduction of tariffs from the old high republican rates. A 75 per cent cut in some of these tariffs would mean practically their elimination, as there is a great disparity between cost of production due to disparity in wage scales in Britain and the United States.

... YOU will recall the loan announcements mentioned the promises of the British to talk about getting away from their own empire preference tariffs in the forthcoming conference, and tied the project in with world trade, holding out hopes for elimination of cartels, etc., but said nothing about our tariffs. A natural consequence of these British steps would be a wholesale fresh cutting of our tariffs. In fact we would be required to do this to get any kind of an agreement.

The interested congressmen will claim that the importation of even small quantities of some foreign manufacturers might break our domestic price level, founded on high wages, and they are getting the unions and farmers to look into the possibilities of foreign dumping on these shores. Their activity seems likely to result in an amendment to the British loan legislation, if it can be enacted at all, restricting the scope of our delegates to the world trade meeting.

OUR loan negotiator, Will Clayton, is a cotton-minded man. The old cotton theory was sell Britain our cotton and provide free importations to enable her to pay for it. But our cotton price has long since gone too high to enable the low-economy British to use it as their base raw material. But Clayton is reported to have gone even beyond this basic theory in his visions of tariff destruction in the coming conference and, they say, he has taken State Secretary Byrnes along with him.

This matter revives the old political war over tariffs, may make the loan debate a world trade debate, and may imperil the chances of congressional approval of the loan.

Bataan War Hero, Nurse Not Married Records Disclose

Chicago, Jan. 31—(AP)—Major Arthur Wermuth, the "one man army" of Bataan, said today army records proved he never was married to Josephine Oswald, a civilian nurse in the Philippines.

Wermuth said he had conferred with Ray Schindler, renowned New York detective, who "traced down the girl's charges and motives." Schindler reported contacting army chaplain headquarters in Washington and finding no record of such a marriage.

Further, Wermuth said, the New York detective was unable to find the name of an H. Steinbach, who Miss Oswald identified as having performed the ceremony, in army records.

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

ACTOR SEEKS DIVORCE

Reno, Nev., Jan. 31—(AP)—Bronzed Stirling Hayden, movie actor who married his leading lady, was here today for "some skiing and a divorce" from his blonde actress wife, Madeline Carroll.

TO COUNT JAPS

Tokyo, Jan. 31—(AP)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur today ordered the Japanese government to conduct a complete census of Japan during April after the general elections.

## Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO

January 31, 1936

(It Was Thursday)

Little interest in special election today.

Oregon employment up 35 per cent over last.

Fruit growers to discuss plans for cannery here.

Half billion extra taxes needed, Roosevelt states.

Cloudy with fog. High 54, low 40.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

January 31, 1916

(It Was Sunday)

Barbara LaMarr, screen beauty, former Ashland resident, passes.

Gales sweep Atlantic, many ships disabled. High winds and heavy rains here.

Medford high five defeats Eugene 20 to 8 in rough game.

Soviet to sell Czar's jewels for fund to buy American tractors.

Snow reported melting fast at Crater lake.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO

January 31, 1912

(It Was Wednesday)

Russ Mill advertises a complete line of buggy whips.