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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Alois Knapp, the nation's No. 1 nudist, has come out for a nude United Nations. He argues the way for the world to think alike, is to look alike, viz: undress. This is not a very bright idea, and, besides, people just won't do it. The secretary of agriculture predicts food production will increase, and "hunger banished from the earth." If both ideas work, America will be the fattest, nakedest country of them all.

The president, quoting a former Harvard university proxy, informed a news conference, "things seem to be going fairly well now that a spirit of pessimism appears in all departments." The president, it can be optimistically reported, has lots of luck—all bad.

"Dress pants for men who dress, \$5; eye-openers and bird fitters for stylish men; beauties at The Boston." (Ad. Pendleton East Oregonian, 30 Yrs. ago)—What's a bird fitter? asks all moderns.

THE LARRY NEVER SWEATS (Eugene Register-Guard)

"They tell us in Washington, when our grub gets scarce, just to tighten our belts another notch, but let them try that and cut logs, work in a sawmill, or on a farm. They can probably talk all day on a cup of coffee and a sandwich." (From a letter)

March arrived today, like a lamb and on time. The month has no holidays requiring the banks to close, and the tonsorial parlors to wish they had.

Kurt Singer, who operated underground papers in conquered lands, to the great disgust of the Nazis, believes Herr Hitler is alive, and getting along all right in the late "good neighbor" nation, Argentina. Singer so stated on a recent visit to San Francisco, but gave no details or reasons for his belief.

"Wanted: Small girl to work in small store, small pay, hard work. References." (Want Ad Ogden, Utah, Standard)—Admirable candor.

After a sit-down strike, nurses in a Delaware hospital were permitted to use rouge while on duty. The doctor in charge, however, cautioned them against using the supply on hand, at one daubing.

One of the minor objections to the Administration appointee as assistant secretary of the navy, is his wealth, he being a multi-millionaire. He now refuses to withdraw, his character is "vindicated." No prejudice should exist, because he has an over-supply of cash, and "passed the hat" vigorously for the New Deal, in at least two campaigns. This caused the late Secy. Ickes to have a sudden tantrum of righteousness, recently that tore him loose from a cabinet post. The average American feels, the appointee can keep his millions—as long as they haven't got them. They further feel there are more interesting ways of getting rid of some of it, than being whitewashed by a senate committee.

"When Secretary Lee Perry announced that the total membership was now approximately 200, everyone gasped at the very thought, 'What if every grange member should decide to come to grange? Where would they sit?'" (New Pine Creek News)—There's always the floor, and a few vacant laps.

The Road to Peace

Certainly no one would deny appeasement is wrong in theory, for it is the sacrifice of principle to expediency.

And the recent war surely demonstrated it wrong in practice, for few things are clearer now than that had Hitler NOT been appeased, World War II would probably never have occurred.

And yet there are people,—many of them,—who not only approve continued appeasement of Russia, but accuse those who oppose such a policy of being Fascist and war-mongers.

Nothing could be further from the truth. In fact, appeasement is the road to war; truth telling and firmness, the only road to peace.

THE report of Senator Vandenberg to the U. S. Senate, following his return from the recent meeting of the UNO in London, emphasizes the truth of these statements.

We quote:

"It would be entirely futile to blink the fact that two great rival ideologies—democracy in the West and communism in the East,—find themselves face to face with the desperate need for mutual understanding in finding common ground upon which to strive for peace. * * * It is my belief Russia and the United States can live in reasonable harmony if the United States speaks as plainly upon all occasions as Russia does, if we abandon the miserable fiction, often encouraged by our 'fellow-travelers' that we somehow jeopardize the peace if our candor is as firm as Russia's always is, and if we assume a moral leadership which we have too frequently allowed to lapse. * * * The situation calls for patience and good will but not for vacillation. We need but one rule: What is right, where is justice? Then let America take her stand. Along with that there is a line beyond which compromise can not go. But how can we expect our alien friends to know where that line is, unless we re-establish the habit of saying only what we mean, and meaning everything we say."

EXCELLENT advice! And highly commended to the Truman administration and our new ambassador to Russia, General Smith!—R.W.R.

Hitler Germany vs Stalin Russia

We have been asked what is the difference between appeasement of Germany before the war, and appeasement of Russia, after.

In one sense there is no difference. The basic cause of appeasement in both cases was, and is a desire to avoid trouble—avoid war.

If Russia were a weak, pacifist nation there would be no thought today of appeasement. But Russia is the largest country in the world and as far as land forces are concerned far and away the most powerful. This fact, taken with the fact that war psychology still endures, explains why Russia's present policy of "peaceful conquest" is not more vigorously opposed. We have had enough war for one generation, we want no more, and there is a very general, if mistaken idea prevailing, that we can't oppose Russian POLICIES, without ultimately fighting her.

BUT there fortunately the similarity ends. The motives behind appeasement are the same, but Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany are not the same,—far from it.

The Hitlerites were really bent on forceful conquest of Europe and the world.

And impartial history will probably record the remarkable feature of this national paranoia was, how close it came to success.

Soviet Russia, we believe, suffers from no such ambition, no such delusions of grandeur. No doubt Stalin would LIKE to see a non-capitalistic world, and the time may come when the Kremlin's efforts for world revolution will be resumed.

But not by armed conquest from without. Rather the oft-mentioned termite boring from within.

And here there is, as a practical matter, a vast difference, as far as international reactions are concerned.

For Russia's policy while it may ultimately cause war does not as did Hitler's policy, NECESSITATE war.

SOVIET RUSSIA, we are firmly convinced, does not WANT to conquer the world by force. She has all the territory now she can successfully develop, and the first requirement in such development, is peace.

But she does want security. And judging the future by the past, she honestly believes, no doubt, the only way to have security, is to have a huge "cordon sanitaire" along her tremendous borders from the North Cape to Vladivostok, from the Atlantic to the Pacific,—a "cordon sanitaire" under her control, instead of the control of her ideological enemies.

And that in general terms, is the basis of her present foreign policy.

It is, we believe, an unfortunate policy, and potentially a dangerous one; but it does not necessitate, as the German Nazi policy did, another world war!—R.W.R.

On The Side—By E. V. Durling

(Distributed by King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

Alas—how light a cause may move
Disunion between hearts that love
A something light as air—a look
A word unkind or wrongly taken
And ruder words will soon rush in
To spread the breach that words begin
And eyes forget the gentle ray
They wore in courtship's smiling day
And voices lose their tone that shed
A tenderness round all they said.
—Thomas Moore.

(Now take the last quarrel you had with the charming girl who became your wife. What started it? Or are you one of those couples between whom a

cross word never passes?)
A chain of retail stores sells one pair of nylons to each feminine employee once a week. This includes part time employees; even those who work as little as three hours a week. And so what has happened? Well, a number of women are taking part time employment in these stores just to secure a pair of nylons each week. My informant should know what she is talking about. She is a school teacher. But every week she works three hours on Friday or Saturday night in one of the stores men-

tioned in order to get herself a pair of nylons.
Quaint Breakfast

An Iowa says pie for breakfast is the rule among many families in his state. He states his favorite breakfast is pork steak, baked potatoes, spinach, cornbread, apple pie and buttermilk. Imagine that; spinach for breakfast. Makes me shudder to even think of it.

Asking

Queries from clients: Q. My wife wants to plan to have our next child born under Libra. Please name some noted persons born under that sign. A. Three presidents and one first lady were Libra-born. The presidents were Chester Arthur, Zachary Taylor and Rutherford B. Hayes. The first lady is Eleanor Roosevelt. Admiral Lord Nelson was a Libra. So was Nietzsche. There is a strong possibility that a female child born under Libra may become an actress. Some of the many actresses born under this sign are: Eleanora Duse, Sarah Bernhardt, Helen Hayes, Greer Garson, Janet Gaynor, Miriam Hopkins, Carole Lombard and Constance Bennett.

Was Ever Thus

New Yorker complains he often gets no return when he puts a penny in the subway slot machines which dispense chewing gum and chocolate. That said situation has existed for years. When a kid I often received no return from a subway slot machine for my hard-earned penny. And I mean hard-earned as I was then working as an office boy for four bucks a week. I remember once I was giving a slot machine a terrific shaking to get some results from the penny I had put in when a cop came up, gave me a bawling out and threatened to arrest me for trying to rob the machine. That was the unkindest cut of all. Yes, sir, my memories of those subway slot machines are mostly bitter ones.

Forgotten People

A Bostonian says everybody remembers the sex-ette in "Floradora," but nobody seems to recall who played the principal parts in the show. "After all," says he, "the sextette was just made up of chorus girls and chorus men." He challenges me to name even one featured player of the original New York production of "Floradora" presented at the Casino theater. I'll name Edna Wallace Hopper. But that's only from hearsay. "Floradora" opened on Broadway before my time as a musical show patron.

Passing By

Anita Loos. Pint-sized literary lady. She is about four feet nine inches tall and weighs around 84 pounds. In 1909 she wrote the scenario for one of Mary Pickford's first films, "The New York Hat." Ever since she has been turning out innumerable scenarios, essays, books and plays. Right now she is working on a play in which Helen Hayes is scheduled to appear. Jimmy Grippio, Broadwayite. He is a curious combination of occupations. He is a mind reader, hypnotist and manager of boxers. Is said to be especially clever in planting ideas in the minds of others by the power of suggestion. Mike Jacobs should hire him for the Conn-Louis fight. Then Grippio could plant the idea in the Brown Bomber's mind that Conn is hard to beat. This might result in Joe taking five rounds to knock Conn out instead of two. This would make the films of the fight more valuable.

Blonde Sixty-nine

Have heard from many subscribers who say they are "dish-water blondes." This, according to our Horses & Women files is No. 69 in order of preference on the list of the different types of blondes. However, the dish-water blondes we hear from don't seem downhearted. They appear to be unusually intelligent young women with a good sense of humor. These are the characteristics, which do much to make a marriage a success. Keep it in mind, young fellow. The next time you meet a dish-water blonde, give her your careful attention. She might make a wonderful wife for you.

Sidelights

Now I have a reader named Prudence. But so far none named Abigail. . . Drama scribe refers to "Oklahoma" as "the

greatest box office hit in musical show history." No doubt this show will rate that description some day. But it doesn't now. It has yet to earn as much as that delightful musical comedy "Rose Marie". . . Am asked when the song "I'd Leave My Happy Home For You" was introduced and by whom. That's a real old timer. A Gay Nineties ditty I believe. Can't say who introduced it.

Horses

A Los Angeles subscriber asks: Is there a city where the bookmakers do not limit their pay-offs to 15-to-1 but pay full track odds on longshots? As I have never been a patron of off-track bookmakers I cannot expert on this query. But from what I have heard about these extremely cautious fellows one who pays full track odds on all winners is extremely rare. However, I understand that in Reno and Las Vegas, Nev., where the bookies are legalized, there are some who pay full track odds on longshots.

Flight o' Time

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

TEN YEARS AGO

March 1, 1936

(It was Saturday)
State relief committee rules every "relief recipient" in state must plant and tend a garden this season.

Roosevelt signs bill prohibiting war loans.

Mild weather predicted for coming week.

Black Tornado quirt routs Klamath Falls 25 to 17.

Oregon old age pension law decision is due soon.

Visitors at Crater Lake show increase over last winter.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

March 1, 1926

(It was Monday)

March comes in like a lamb, with bright sunshine.

Thirty-five turn out for first baseball practice.

Air mail service in northwest to start April 6.

Fair and mild. High 73, low 40.

City water bond issue sold at par to coast brokers syndicate.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS AGO

March 1, 1912

(It was Friday)

Mme. Schuman-Heink, famous songbird, appears before vast crowd at Nat. Says climate of valley is like Italy's.

Modoc orchard is made game reserve.

Drive opened to have irrigation districts in valley.

Espee will run excursion to San Francisco March 12.

SPELLMAN SEES POPE

Vatican City, March 1.—(U.P.)—Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York was received in a private audience by Pope Pius XII today on the eve of his departure for home via Spain.

Sunshine

HI-NO

CRACKERS

Pound

Box

21c

PEANUT BUTTER

2-lb. jar

ROSEKIST

59c

SOUP

Campbell's Tomato

3 cans 25c

CEREAL

Wheats Worth

2 20c pkgs 35c

STALEY'S

CORN STARCH

Reg. 10c

2 pkg. 15c

CLOTHES PINS

Brilliant Colors

Each 2c

CANADA DRY

Sparkling Water

6 28-oz. bottles \$1.00

DOG FOOD

GAINES MEAL

5 lbs. 49c

CABBAGE

Cannonball Type, Crisp and Fresh

AVOCADOS

King of Salad

3 for 29c

GARDEN PEAS

Fresh Picked—Full Podded

lb. 19c

NEW POTATOES

Red Garnets

3 lb. 29c

DATES

Fancy Filled—A Delicious Sweet—Pkg. 49c

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.

Meters Liked

To the editor: The writer for one, firmly believes the city officials deserve congratulations of the hurried shopper, the rural citizen, making a hurried trip to the city to transact business, as well as all other car users, who have not been in the habit of hogging for hours, space in the business district of the city. The installation of parking meters with such reasonable charges, at once takes Medford

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Medford Couple Buys

ASHLAND RESTAURANT

Ashland, March 1—Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Peterson of Medford have purchased the Dandy Lunch here, Sadie Miller, who founded the business several

years ago, announced. Mr. and Mrs. Miller formerly operated the Mickey Mouse and Corner cafes in Medford and during the war managed doughnut huts for the Salvation Army at Pendleton and Huntington, Ore.

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28c

NES-CAFE—Instant Coffee..... 4-oz. Jar 34c

RY-KRISP

SCANDINAVIAN STYLE BREAD

13-ounce

15c

Sunshine

HI-NO

CRACKERS

Pound

Box

21c

PABLUM

BABY CEREAL

Lg. 39c

PRUNE JUICE

Quart Bottle

25c

TOMATO JUICE

3 Cans

25c

PEANUT BUTTER

2-lb. jar

ROSEKIST

59c

SOUP

Campbell's Tomato

3 cans 25c

CEREAL

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