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Character Murder, Inc.
DISPATCHES in the weekend papers indicated that the "smear Willie" campaign, already well started, is going to assume greater proportions in the next few weeks before the November 5 election. This program is being plotted by the same New Deal strategists who neatly slit the throats of every democrat whose name was prominently mentioned as a presidential possibility before the Roosevelt "draft" fiasco at Chicago. Being accomplished character assassins, these lads are generally expected to turn in a bang-up job on the republican presidential candidate.
A Washington dispatch states that federal grand juries and a number of other government and tax-supported agencies are being used in an attempt to dig up material to be used in the propaganda attack on Willie. Hugh Johnson, the columnist, intimates that one line of attack may attempt to show that certain supporters of Willie are in bed with nazi agents, basing this on recent activities of German "commercial travelers" who have been contacting various business men with regard to certain commercial connections "after the war." As General Johnson says, such conversations are innocent and unavoidable, so far as the man approached is concerned, but they can be "disclosed" in such unscrupulous fashion as to poison the public mind.
It may appear to some people that Candidate Willie, having been an executive of a successful utilities corporation, is particularly vulnerable to the kind of attack being prepared by the New Deal plotters. Yet Mr. Willie's business success is one of the reasons large numbers of people have turned to him as a promising candidate for the head of a government that needs more sound business practices and less wild spending by impractical experimenters and theorists. Fact is, no matter who should be the candidate for the presidency against Mr. Roosevelt, his clique of crafty plotters would work up a poisonous smear campaign along one line or another, and use every means at their command to splash it on the minds of the credulous and impressionable who are ready to believe the worst about anybody.

Gateway to Crater Lake
EUGENE makes a claim for designation as "gateway to Crater Lake" in an editorial appearing in Sunday's Eugene Register-Guard. Eugene doesn't want to hog the title, but it wants to share it with Klamath Falls, Bend and Medford.
Basis of the Eugene claim, of course, is the completion of the new Willamette highway, which has carried hundreds of visitors from the Willamette valley to Crater Lake since the Salt Creek tunnel was opened.
We see no objection to permitting Eugene to come in on the Crater Lake deal. The more the merrier. When Eugene promotes travel to Crater Lake, it is a cinch a part of that travel—probably the larger part—will come on down further into the Klamath country.
As a starter, let's get those highway signs at Goshen fixed up so they show the distance to Crater Lake, the distance to Klamath Falls, and the distance to San Francisco, in big, noticeable letters and figures appropriate to a junction of that importance.

Soldiers Are Citizens, Too
WHEN the United States was still just a pup, a lot of citizens thought it would be a good idea to remove the vote from soldiers and sailors. Americans were afraid that if the army and navy voted, the boys in the service might be able to take the government away from the civilians. So the service men were disfranchised.
Those fears no longer hold good. In most cases, state laws will permit absentee voting by draftees and National Guardsmen. And the first draftees will still be home this coming election day.
The boys in the army are, after all, citizens of the United States—very good citizens, or they wouldn't be there.

Klamath Buck-Hunters 'Bag' Weather Reporting Devices
Bucks are not the only prizes being taken home this season by Klamath deer hunters.
One Klamath Falls man, W. A. Liable, and two hunters from Salem came in with reports of "bagging" radio-meteorographs, which had apparently broken away from balloons used to carry them into the upper atmosphere.
Liable found his instrument while hunting in the Bly section, and the pair of Salem sportsmen, Dr. George E. Lewis and Russel Bott, discovered one while they were walking down a primitive trail on a Klamath plateau carrying their bucks.
The latter instrument was found hanging from a limb of a tall pine tree and was complete with a miniature sending apparatus. The instruments are believed to have been sent up some time ago by the radio-meteorograph station at Medford.

OBITUARY
WILLIAM LEE PLOWMAN
William Lee Plowman, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Plowman of Sprague River, Ore., passed away in that city Saturday, October 5, 1940, at 10:40 a. m. He was a native of Grants Pass, Ore., and at the time of his death was aged 1 year 10 months and 4 days. Surviving are his parents and a brother, Robert Dean Plowman.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS
By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6 — Mr. Roosevelt has definitely buried the embarrassing problem of the National Labor Relations Board in the backyard of the White House until after election. He called in William Green, AFL chief, and told him where the body lay. It was done in a conference disguised as a Green call to invite the president to make a minor address.
The re-appointed chairman, J. Warren Madden, has likewise been officially disposed of quietly and smoothly. He has been shipped off to Canada to study labor conditions for the labor department. The president engineered his appointment by Miss Perkins for this study because he personally likes Madden, believes he merely became too deeply involved in the Pressman-Witt-Smith leftwing CIO clique on the board.

DOUBLE DISPOSED
The double disposal was engineered after Mr. Roosevelt had a poll taken secretly in the senate and discovered Madden not only could not be confirmed for re-appointment, but his nomination would never have emerged from the senate labor committee.

Green's polls apparently confirmed this prospect, although those of CIO's John Lewis reached the opposite conclusion. Lewis is believed to have told the president emphatically that Madden could be confirmed if sufficient pressure were put behind him. This was the subject of the last mysterious Lewis call at the White House ten days ago.
Mr. Roosevelt has half promised to the labor leaders (or perhaps "indicated" is a safer word) he will name the sixty-seven year old University of Chicago economist, Harry Alvin Mills, to the chairmanship after election.

NOTE: The new Madden job of surveying Canadian labor conditions is not altogether a coal chute leading to the basement. The Canadians, even in the stress of war, have worked out with some ingenuity plans to maintain labor standards during wartime production.

SECRET WEAPON
Two little noticed war developments were enough to have sent Hitler and Mussolini to the Brenner Pass. The Germans have discovered by experience that the British are ready to employ a new type of mustard gas which can be sprayed as a fog upon water and is doubly deadly in contact with moisture. The existence of this secret British weapon was disclosed at the bottom of this column, October 1.

Returning News Correspondent, Vincent Sheehan, freed from censorship upon his arrival in New York, confirmed that the British had twice used this gas experimentally after invasion alarms.
Unprecedented destruction of British shipping by submarines was a clear indication furthermore that Hitler had been forced to return to this unsuccessful type of warfare. Hitler has few more submarines now than in the early stages of the war when piecemeal destruction of British ships failed to bring any important military conclusions.

BLIND SPOT
Mr. Roosevelt has not only developed the curious habit of not knowing anything about politics during this hardest undercover campaign he has ever led, but he has developed an equally phenomenal blind spot in reading newspapers.

With an almost straight face, he excused himself from comment on an international news service interview with the Japanese foreign minister promising Japan would declare war on the United States if we entered the European conflict or tried to preserve the status quo in the Pacific, by saying he had never heard of it. George Durno, the well-known INS correspondent, pointed out to him that the interview had been handed to Steve Early in plenty of time for him to see it.

But a few seconds later in the press conference when the president was asked if it were true that Germany and Italy are trying to defeat him in the election, he pulled from his pocket a dispatch from Rome suggesting that possible view and read it to the conference in detail. At the White House Franklin seldom sees as Mr. Roosevelt says.

FUNERAL
WILLIAM BARKS
Funeral services for the late William Barks who passed away in Tulare, Calif., on Saturday, October 5, 1940, were to be held in the chapel of the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth, on Monday, October 7, 1940, at 3 p. m. with the Rev. Hugh Bronson of the Community Presbyterian church of this city officiating. Commitment services and interment family plot in Mt. Laki cemetery. Friends are invited.



"What have you got against the British soldiers? This sweater has three sleeves in it!"

Business and Professional Women Called Out for Work On National Club's Program

"Roll up your sleeves and to work" is the way Mrs. Dena Backes, program chairman of Business and Professional Women, has called her members to attention.
Asked to comment on national business women's week, Mrs. Backes calls attention to the national club program for the entire year.
They are to concentrate on the federation's program for the year, "Making Democracy Work," which has been designed to help them to come to grips with the problems in their own communities. "The most important factor in making democracy work is to have an informed and responsible citizenry," Mrs. Backes declared.
Miss Kathryn Starbuck, secretary of Skidmore college and a trustee of Vassar, who is chairman of the federation's program coordination committee, has been aided by a group of members in preparing an outline which contains eighty pages wrapped in red, white and blue. These eighty pages are devoted to month by month problems relating to democracy.

"Directors of the federation and five hundred state committee chairmen, individually consulted by the national chairman, are in agreement on the point that women must participate more vitally, more intelligently in the everyday mechanisms of government if the people's right to 'life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness' are to prevail," Miss Starbuck explained, "if they are to weather the storms coming toward us from within as well as from without our country. These state leaders advised us to 'roll up our sleeves and get to work.' That's what we are doing."

"The first step in carrying out a program is to try to understand the issues that are to be discussed in the political campaign and to discuss them impartially on the basis of fact rather than party prejudice. To do this we must be able to separate fact from fiction."
"Having studied last year the economic problems of the United States, the federation now proposes to analyze the political scene."
"In this critical year citizens must key themselves to emergency thinking. Can we, for instance, see clearly enough to curb real 'fifth column' perils without losing those civil rights that are the very foundation of democracy? Will we increase taxes to meet partially the costs of national defense? Or will we charge expenditures to future generations?"

"No one could possibly blueprint a course through all the thousand and one problems that may arise from the terrible stress of world events. Yet it is clear that in order to retain our rights, we must accept our full share of responsibility in defending them; we must strive to make democracy operate as efficiently as possible."

INDUSTRIALIST DIES
BERLIN, Oct. 7 (AP) — Peter Kloeckner, 76-year-old German industrialist, died in Essen Saturday. He lost a fortune at the age of 56, when France took property containing his mines, steel and rolling mills after the World war, but was able to amass another.

PELICAN
NOW THROUGH WEDNESDAY
South of PAGO PAGO
VICTOR McLAGLEN
and Bill Thomas
PETE SMITH QUIZ
COLOR CARTOON and LATEST NEWS
THURSDAY!
WILD! THRILLING! FANTASTIC! INCREDIBLE!
Mrs. Martin Johnson's Amazing Picture
I MARRIED A GHOST
The story of a woman who married a ghost and lived with him for years.
Coming Wednesday!
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But many ideas in his mind.
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Among the New Books
At the City Library
By MRS. EMBERT FOSSUM
DEFENSE OF AMERICA
Edited by William Allen White—This is a collection of short articles by 14 American citizens, many of them asking that all aid, short of war, be sent to the Allies. A partial list of the contents will give you an idea of the book: Does America Deserve a Miracle, by Mrs. D. W. Morrow; The Isolation Myth by George Creel; The War and the Pacific by C. H. Rowell; Aid the Allies? by S. S. Wise; The Allies are Ourselves, by Rupert Hughes; American Policy and the War, by Quincy Wright; American Responsibility in the Present Crisis, by H. S. Coffin; Free Institutions and the War, by Greenville Clark; and Immediate Aid to the Allies, by J. B. Conant. This book, like all others of its kind, is calculated to convince the already convinced, but even so, it is remarkably sane. It presents a powerful case against the more rabid isolationists, but whether the isolationists will think so is another matter. Worth reading, no matter in which pew you sit, if only to prove you've an open mind.
THE BREWERS' BIG HORSES
By MRS. MILDRED WALKER — When Sarah Bolster was a little girl she was taken one day for a short ride behind the four big horses that drew the Henkel brewery dray. Later Sara left her own walk in life to marry a son of the Henkels and when he died she became manager of the business. The first part of this story relates Sara's childhood in a genteel Victorian home, the latter part tells of her struggles to succeed as a business woman in spite of intolerance and the growth of the prohibition sentiment. This bare outline of the plot gives little idea of the charm of the book. Brewing good beer was poetry and religion to John Henkel, and Mrs. Walker has managed to express this feeling in her descriptions of the intricate process. The characters are a interesting and attractive people, especially William Henkel. This is a lusty story, and a valuable history of manners and ethics. You will end by liking both beer and German people, regardless of how you feel about either of them now.
THEY WANTED WAR
By OTTO DAVID TOLISCHUS — Winner 1940 Pulitzer prize for distinguished foreign correspondence, Tolischus is responsible for which he is responsible on his years as Berlin correspondent for the New York Times, the author also explains the situation as it affects the United States. It is unfortunate that a book as distressing as this should be compulsory reading, but I think it should. Very few books on National Socialist Germany will prove more useful than this to the thoughtful American citizen. Mr. Tolischus is well informed and he has written what has all the earmarks of an objective and truthful account of Herr Hitler's preparations for a successful war. When

BEER is a grand old drink. Drink Wieland's Extra Pale! Watch the Classified Page

RAINDOW
NOW PLAYING
Together again for laughter!
DUNNE GRANT
MY FAVORITE WIFE
with SCOTT PATRICK

VOX LAST DAY!
DEMANDED RETURN ENGAGEMENT
SCATTERBRAIN
A Republic Picture
with **JUDY CANOVA**
(The JENNY LIND of the OZARKS)
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Show Your Colors With Pride
Household Arts by Alice Brooks
Our Flag An Inspiration For Everyone
PATTERN 6804
Americans—show your colors! Our flag—with what pride we wear it today—with what love we place it in our home! You can proudly show it embroidered on a variety of accessories with the aid of this pattern. Pattern 6804 contains a collection of 22 patriotic motifs ranging in size from 9x9 inches to 14 x 18 inches, materials needed, illustration of stitches. To obtain this pattern send ten cents in coin to The News and Herald Household Arts Dept., Klamath Falls, Ore. Be sure to write plainly your NAME, ADDRESS and PATTERN NUMBER.

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