

Lucius Beebe Opens War On Anti-Cigarette Gang

By LUCIUS BEEBE
In the years of my youth, a period approximating Appomattox Court House, as it now seems, or at least ante-dating the Custer massacre, cigarettes were not a highly regarded article of commerce. Their use generally was restricted to the lower orders of society, pimps, race track touts, Congressmen

and the like, and certainly none was smoked in my father's house by any member of the family, although now and then guests asked if they might be excused to go into the garden and smoke a cigar after dinner. Smoking in the presence of ladies was unthinkable and there was still a statute on the

Boston law books against smoking pipes on the public street, pipes being associated with the Irish and not tolerated in the presence of gentlemen. There were, to be sure, exceptions to the rule. My friend Edwin Arlington Robinson was notoriously a smoker of Sweet Caporals, but he was a recognized and widely acclaimed

poet and was accorded the tolerance usually extended to genius. A bleak and craggy Down Easter, he had been a mighty skirmisher with the bottle in earlier times and cigarettes were regarded as a sort of tapering off. Most other men of letters of the time smoked pipes, and cigars were, of course, the universal hallmark

of manhood and symbol of prestige according to their quality and cost. NOR WAS THIS prejudice against cigarettes a parochial one confined to Puritan New England. As evidence of bad morale among the ship's company in the sinking of the Titanic, witnesses attested that

in the lifeboats many stewards and other members of the crew lit cigarettes in the presence of ladies, not to mention the Grim Reaper and the greatest catastrophe of modern times. It was, incidentally, the most serious evidence of misconduct ever made against the company's servants on the ill-starred vessel.

Tobacco in those days wasn't especially big business, certainly nothing to attract the hostility of a predatory Federal Government bent on taxing out of existence every possible source of revenue except the billion dollar union racket, some of whose components are wealthier by far than the industries they seek to impoverish by extortion. NOW THE wowsers, dogooders, and reforming trash generally, including "medical authorities" from mail order schools with nothing better to

occupy their childish minds, are grinding out a sustained barrage of anti-cigarette propaganda. The Surgeon General of the U.S., presumably a handy fellow in the realm of gunshot wounds, has appointed the usual committee to investigate the potentialities for lung cancer, and publicity-mad politicians of the more debased order, like California's superfluous Governor Brown, are rallying to denounce the sinful cigarette as a smoke screen for the evasion of more potentially dangerous issues.

To date the principal source of this septic fright talk about lung cancer has been England, where socialized medicine has reduced the once haughty practitioners of Harley Street to a confraternity of seedy pensioners dependent on the favors of the Ministry of Health that is a shining example of bureaucratic incompetence, corruption, and political expediency.

THE MASSES forces of bigotry, superstition and infected politics are ganging up on tobacco in general and cigarettes in particular with an ultimate view to their total prohibition. And don't think for a minute this cretin babbling about lung cancer isn't going to cost you and me money. Tobacco taxes last year yielded \$3.2 billion in State and Federal revenue, and any least dime's abatement in this sum is going to be compensated by some other confiscatory rooking of the taxpayer to support the nest of boudling elected mendicants in Washington, D. C.

I DOUBT if I have smoked 10 cigarettes in the last 10 years except when I am in England and can get Sullivan & Powell's incomparable product, but I'm dusting off a lot of gold cigarette cases that have been lying around bank vaults for decades and I am going to re-establish a habit I neither admire nor take pleasure in as a patriotic duty.

The cold war that is waged every minute of the day and night between the voters and taxpayers of the United States and the Government at Washington is getting hot with a meddlesome, impertinent, and paternalistic hierarchy of shiftless time-servers trying to move in once more on the personal liberties of those of us who maintain them with their front feet in the public hog trough.

FOR 13 YEARS I fought the good fight along with millions of other American patriots allied against the infamies of prohibition to maintain a state of universal alcoholism and put the boots to the thrice damned religious bigots like Bishop Cannon and Mrs. Ella Boole and the heels on Capitol Hill who did their obscene bidding. I've got scars of battle on my liver to show for it. I'm not too old to enlist again in the unceasing battle that all Americans have to fight all the time against the enemy that is Washington, your enemy, my enemy, and everybody's enemy, the Federal Government of the United States in all its bureaucratic infamy. May I offer you a light? (Chronicle Features).

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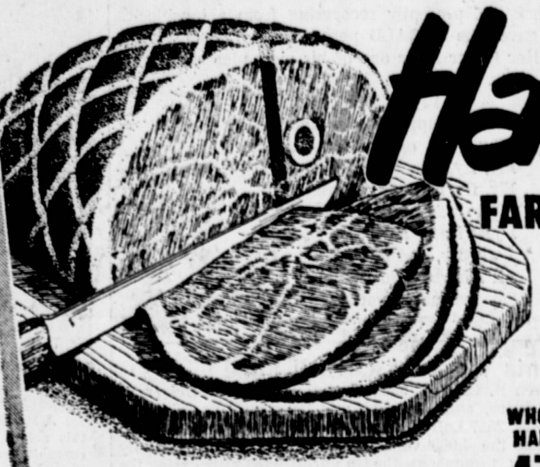
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