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TOBACCO, TOMBSTONES AND **PROFITS**

By Luther Burbank in Ford's Weekly

You have seen pictures of military meteries near great battlefields.

Upon every headstone is chiseled If one knew nothing about war, these headstones would be sufficient to impress upon him that war is deadly-that it kills.

tobacco, if, upon the tombaton of would not say the woman wroth "Killed by Tobacco"?

more than kill. It half-kills. It has el says nothing at all:

isn't. It is well within the truth. You ruined his stomach. do not know the facts because you But the truth will never be known are not permitted to know them. It about tobacco so long as the great were urged to smoke cigarettes. A poison the people for a profit. little later you saw advertisements in Did you ever think what would be are pressed to use tobacco in all its How long would it last and how rapidto make sneezing popular. But chew- contrary, everyone is born with a pastimes. It is even declared that Men are able to use tobacco only be it "soothes" the nerves.

Smokers do not all drop dead around stick to life as long as possible. the cigar lighters in tobacco stores. They go away and, years later, die of ing people with schacco, the tobs typhoid fever, or what not.

rectly and escapes the blame.

Sm General Lee could not get Grant, but As the tobacco interests become bettobacco got him.

McKinley, when he was born, had a the lowest order of itelligence. soft and flabby. When McKinley had Every possible appeal is made to the al strength.

ed by an ailment that brought him al- Billboard advertising, newspape

of a strong heart—and he had one, ests may gather more millions. Mr. Roosevelt never used tobacco. If the money that the American peo

annot be conclusively proved by what one could have a farm. If it were invested in reclaiming des pinch comes everyone has need of the heart power he can muster—d tobacco weakens heart-power. ere is no doubt about that. When

slow poison that strikes at the heart

the inscription. "Killed in action." , while, puts you in a condition to be "bumped off" by the first thing that hits you. If you saw some men undermine a building until it was ready to topple into the street, and then saw a woman hit the building with a baby how much would you know about carriage and make it topple, you everyone killed by it were inscribed, building, would you? Yet when a smoker dies of pneumonia the doctor's You would know a lot more about death certificate gives pneumonia and it than you do now, but you would not tobacco as the cause of death. not know all because tobacco does And the tombstone man with his chis-

its victims in the cemeteries and in the What a shock people would get of streets. It is bad enough to be dead, they went through cemeteries and saw but it is a question if it is not some- tombstones declaring the fact that times worse to be half-dead-to be this man died of typhoid made fatal nervous, irritable, unable to sleep well by a tobacco-weakened heart, and with officiency cut in two and vitality that man succumbed to nervous prosready to snap at the first great tration because tobacco had shot his nerves to pieces, and another one gave This seems like exaggeration. It up the ghost because tobacco had

le slowly to poison you and tobacco companies are able to spend millions of others, so you are poison- millions of dollars to build up and ed. You were only a boy when you maintain businesses with which to

which your attention was called to come of the tobacco habit if there cigars and smoking tobacco. Now you were no profit in selling tobacco? forms, except snuff. Perhaps there ly would it spread? Was anyone ever are too many false teeth in America born with a taste for tobacco? On the ing and smoking are set forth by the taste against it-tobacco produces acco trusts as delightful, harmless sickness the first few times it is used the use of tobacco is beneficial-that cause of the remarkable power of the human body to adjust itself to an un Chloroform soothes the nerves, too. favorable environment. The human A small bottle of it will sooth them body prefers the good and dislikes the bad, but if it is compelled to endure Let me tell you how tobacco kills, the bad will make the best of it and

If there were no money in poi something else. From the tobacco habit would die out with the last of trust's point of view, that is one of its present victims. No boy could bethe finest things about tobacco. The gin smoking because there would be victims do not die on the premises, no place where he could buy tobacco. even when sold the worse cigars. If there were no place in which to buy They go away, and when they die, the food the boy would not go without doctors certify that they died of some- food. That shows the difference bething else-pneumonia, heart disease, tween useful necessities and poisonous things that enslave only to de-In other words, tobacco kills indi- stroy. We need food, we do not need tobacco. We use tobacco only because What killed General Grant? Why, it is foisted upon each generation as of course you know-cancer. But opium was foisted upon the Chinese, ers in making you a victim. what caused the cancer in his throat? and as cigarettes are being foisted up-

ter organized it is increasingly diffi-What killed President McKinley? cult for each generation to escape. An assassin's bullet, you say. Partly Even thirty years ago, a cigar store right and partly wrong. McKinley was an ugly place, littered with cuswas shot, but his wound need not have pidors, dirty and unattractive. Betproved fatal. Thousands of men, ter brains in the tobacco business have hurt worse, have survived. But they changed this. The cigar store is athad good hearts. When a great strain tractive now, even from afar. Its comes, strong hearts, are necessary windows are tastefully decorated with to bring the sufferers through alive. red, a primary color that appeals to strong heart, but the tobacco habit side, everything is as clean and bright got him and left his heart muscles as if the place were a jewelry store. need of a strong heart he went down eye. And, in addition, there are cerbecause he had nothing to keep him tificates with which, if one will smoke up. He had smoked up his most vit- his head off, he may get a beautiful glass fruit dish for his grandmother al strength.

Woodrow Wilson when old was seiz- or a collar button for himself.

most to the point of death. For hours advertising, magazine advertising, was unconscious and for weeks search every nook and cranny of the his physicians could not say whether country for victims. In this way, milhe would live or die. He had need lions upon millions of dollars are of a good heart. In his hour of need spent by the tobacco interests every he had a good heart. If Mr. Wilson year. It seems almost askif there is had been a smoker, Mr. Marshall no escape for each new generation as might have been President. it comes along. No matter where a In the African jungle, Theodore boy may be, tobacco advertising Roosevelt was stricken with such a reaches him, pleads with him and urgfever that he begged his son and other es him to be a fool-to injure his er companions to save themselves by health, decrease his happiness and leaving him to die. He, too, had need shorten his life that the tobacco tater-

His African illness was so serious ple are wasting for tobacco were inthat he returned to America emaciat vested in homes, every man and womart-power to enable him to get back. before rea bing the age of fifty.

But the case for or against tobacco If it were invested in farms, every

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art is faltering, no doctor ever er-power companies honestly and wise-es nicotine. Nicotine is a ly managed, the harnessing of power

w going to wasta would make heat, nt and ch s-ving would be sufficient to enable everyone to see all American several times and take at least one trip

Figure it out for yourself. The or dinary smoker who uses cit are will burn up about a dollar a day, which is \$1,000 every three years. If amoking, after thirty years, kills him, he will have wasted \$10,000. That is more than enough to buy a decent home, a good farm, or to see America several times and take a whirl around the world.

And, at that, the greatest loss is in health and life. The basis of all thirds of the United States, a total happiness is health. A sick millionaire is much worse off than a well and pain,

Always remember that the tendency of tobacco is to destroy.

Don't be fooled by newspaper stories inspired by the tobacco interests about gentlemen 104 years old who attribute their multitude of years to the use of tobacco.

When whiskey-selling was a legal method of getting a living you used to read the same kind of stories about centenarians who had drunk whiskey since they were nine years old.

There is no doubt that some i have lived to be very old, notwith standing the use of tobacco and whis-

But they were entirely mistaken in believing that it was the tobacco or the whiskey that helped them to live long. Here is one proof: Look for all those who were boyhood chum of these aged survivors of toba and whiskey and who, like them so ed and drank. Where are they?. It helped to put the finishing touches

upon them. The one in ten millions or more who survives and reaches a great age, notwithstanding the use of tobacco or whiskey, is the odd one who, be cause of some peculiarity in his con stition, was able to generate an antitoxin that offset the poison of nicose or alcohol. Each of us has the ability, to a greater or lesser degree needs. Smallpox kills the Indian and treats the white man comparatively gently because it is a new disease to the Indians, to meet what they have not yet had time to generate proper antitoxins. The white man, on the other hand, has had time enough, smallpox is no new disease to him He has been familiar with it for centuries and, in the beginning, it hit

him as hard as it now does the Indian. Make no mistake. Tobacco is a poison that would not be urged upon you if there were not a profit for oth-

Within my own circle of -friends has killed.

not regret that he had formed the habit, but I never met a non-smoker who was sorry he did not smoke.

Isn't that significant? If tobacco is such a fine thing, why don't its victims rejoice. Why do not men like Woodrow Wilson hasten to acquire the tobacco habit? Think this ever,

Youth is the dangerous age, as far as tobacco is concerned. If one can reach the age of twenty-five without difficulty in getting him.

We are in the process of driving alcoholic beverages from the country. The death rate all over the country has taken a sharp drop to the lowest point ever reached. In my opinion the day is not far distart when we shall outlaw tobacco as we have alcohol. I believe tobacco shortens more him to descend. lives and kills more people than alcohol ever did, not because tobacco is more deadly because it is more widely used than whiskey ever was.

We shall have better health, more happiness, longer life and more comforts when we cease wasting our money for tobacco and whiskey.

in a few decades there will be a hundred millions or so who will hoot at the present hooters.

Saving Sweet Corn Seed

The best way to secure home-grown sweet corn seed, according to United plant, and, since a single ear will be seed enough for a small garden, it is quite practicable to do this. Select the best and earliest ears by stripping down the husks to examine the grain and to remove any worms that may be found, and then carefully fold them back and hold them in place by an elastic band or a string. Allow these cars to zipen thoroughly on the stalk. States Department of Agriculture spe-

FAILS TO CHOSS IN ONE DAY

within ten days of Lieut, Russell L. ughan, army airman, to span the North American contin dawn and dusk today when an oil leak forced him to land here at 5:08 p. m.

He had traversed more than twoof 1,925 miles and was hurrying togarbage man. Sickness not only cuts ward his goal at a speed of 175 miles off happiness but brings discomfort an hour, after leaving three of his sheduled stopping places behind him in his race with the sun.

> A tiny stream of oil spurting from an almost invisible aperture in the oil cooler of the Curtiss pursuit plane, tiplied. necessitated the cancellation of the

A similar leak hall caused nearly an hour's delay at Cheyenne, Wyoming, gain lost time. For more than 200 they exist today, they will get n Springs the cooler began suddenly to continue to Salduro, Utah, the next ble. stopping place.

before dark.

he landed at Rock Springs, from the ment. That was what happened to time he took off at Mitchell field at Kellogg when he was defeated by 4:08 a. m. eastern standard time, this Shipstead. Kellogg claimed to be the morning. The three stops which he best sort of radical, but it did not made at Dayton, St. Joseph and at avail him anything because it was sus- has not not brought any improvement Cheyenne had consumed one hour and pected he would not always be ready 51 minutes

tined to be a brilliant success. At ty are wondering if there will Cheyenne, however, on the western found an element of danger in all rim of the Rocky Mountains, the first this.

repair the leak.
In 55 minutes the work was com In 55 minutes the work was com-pleted and Maughan, still slightly ill, be ked to support a Democrat of the San Francisco.

of his flight and less than two hours open to them. from Salduro, the final stopping point before the last lap of his journey when the new leak in the oil cooler forced against conditions temporarily affect-

The flight, several times cancelled, owing to inclement weather or newly discovered defects in the oil feed line, was a renewal of the unsuccessful the beneficiaries in popular elections. attempt which Maughan made July 9. On that trip he was forced down at Avenue City, Mo., 10 miles from St. Joseph, the terminal of the second There are now plenty of persons lap of his flight. A clogged oil feed who will have at this statement, but line caused temporary abandonment of the plans for the flight.

The trip was made largely to de-monstrate the feasibility of moving

thrown into the cockpit of Maughan's plane, just before he took off at Mitnesota were required to answer 'yes' chell field at 4:08 a. m., eastern stan-or 'no' on the issue of whether the

MINNESOTA RESULT SPELL and discriminating Republican vot

and Worst Is Yet to Come for

appear almost friendless. Trying to view the President as a political figure and factor in the great northwest as one is moved in contemplating the melancholy end of the Democratic candidnte for senator.

Moreover, there is the reflection that the worst is yet to come for Mr. Harding. Conditions in the senate next December will be utterly chaotic. with the left wing of the farm bloc greatly strengthened, and with the possibilities for mischief so long possessed by LaFollette indifinitely mul-

First, they will make a shipwreck out of any administration proposal good, bad, and indifferent; an as sortment of radical leade his third stopping place, shortly aft-er noon today, and Maughan was driving his motor at top speed to re-dates, and, given the conditions as miles westward from Cheyenne, the of the votes in a group of states. The motor raced smoothly, but at Rock world will then be called upon to witness that the candidacy of Mauchan passed over the air Harding for another term must be mail field at 4:58 p. m. determined to looked upon as manifestly impossi-

Already the situation for the Presi As the fumes from the escaping oil dent and his friends is doubly humilecame stronger however, he turned sating. The President, in some of his back and landed at the almost de-serted field. western speeches, showed a disposi-tion to repudiate himself in the effort A brief examination by two pilots to placate the disaffected agrarian onvinced Maughan that it would be vote, while the Republican candidate impossible to reach San Francisco, in Minnessota disavowed Mr. Harding the western terminus of his flight, and all his works and sought to make it clear to the voters that it would be Bitterly disappointed, when success good business to elect him, as he seemed almost assured, Maughan would be in a position to extract more made a cursory examination of the money from the federal treasury for oil cooler and went to a Rock Spring the farmers than his opponent. But

hotel for the night. the voters really turned to Johnson It was 15 hours to the minute, when because they did not trust the governto join LaFollette in making trouble.

Officals of the United States air Just now the Democrats are remall service here estimated that Mau- joicing because they are convinced ghan had made an average speed of that they will find it possible, by about 155 miles an hour. He was in joining forces with first this and that strenuous month with remarkable the air 13 hours and nine minutes bloc in Congress, to throw all ad- fortitude considering her limited Until noon today the flight of Lieut. ministration plans into hopeless con- strength, but now appears tired. Mrs. tenant Maughan apparently was des- fusion but some members of that par-

element of uncertainty was thrown in- A party of negation and obstruced nauseated from the effect of oil best advantage, and as the radical fumes which he had inhaled, as a re- wave has swept over some sections sult of the leak in the oil cooler. Dis- of the country, the Democratic party appointed, Maughan stepped from the plane and laid down to recuperate while mechanics worked feverishly to mocratic strategy will in the end call residue to take the long sea trip for the nomination of a conservative.

resumed his seat in the cock-pit and Underwood type, for example, if the go. struck out westward on the fourth Republi ans should be forced, by the lap of his journey, with rope rekind- rising tide of radicalism, to abandon smoking, the tobacco trust will have led by the belief that he still could Mr. Harding, just as a great many win out against encroaching darkness, Democrats supported Governor Preus by a fast spurt to Saiduro, Utah, and the Republican candidate in Minnesota, feeling, as they did, that this He was within 645 miles of the end was the only safe and sane course

"In a general way, the result in ing the farming interest adversely. At such times candidates who promise the most, regardless of whether their promises can be redeemed or not, are

The Democratic national commit tee, through Chairman Hull, characterized the Minnesota result as a most humiliating defeat for the Harding administration and "an answer also to the recent journey of Chairman John T. Adams, of the Republican national committee, to the middle west, where he admidst millions of aerial war craft from one coast to farmers ruined or made bankrupt unthe other in the United States as a wartime maneuver.

A bundle of newspaper, which was Chairman Hull also said:

flarding administration should be in-ingly worthless corncob. A Ka dorsed, with the amazing result of farmer, in a letter to an agricult

as the least of two evils, de

tion of the farm labor candidate, M nus Johnson, as United States as over the Republican condidate in will reach 50,000. The de third party undo overwhelming defeat of the Repu can party in the Presidential elections next year. The farmers' vote upos relied heretofore seems definitely last to the Republican party. Any progressive Democratic candidate President is certain to sweep the great northwest next year, judging by the vote in Minnesota on yestere When Michigan and Minnesota, white are as strongly Republican states as South Carolina is a Democratic state defeat the Republican party as the did in the Congressional election is Michigan three weeks ago and in the terday, the hour of the doc Republican party is at hand. The De ocratic party has only to be progressive and honest to be assuroverwhelming victory for its Presidential candidate in 1924. As for us Democrats in the ranks, why we are just preparing to turn the rascals ou "It might be said that the resu

of the election in Minnesota is a very emphatic vindication of the police of the Democratic senstorial candidate which stood at all times in favor of real co-operation with the candi date for the senate, a very able man, Mr. Carley, provided a place for the conservative Democratic votes to go that could not be cast for Mr. John-

Mrs. Harding's Health Not Improved

With President Harding U. S.S. Henderson, July 21-The busy month's traveling, speaking and receptioning program of President to Mrs. Harding's condition, which always has been more or less precarious since her breakdown last Sen. tember.

She has gone through the mo Harding did not miss a day's activibe ties until she was forced to retire at Fairbanks, but since then she has been in seclusion, taking no part in the entertainment planned at Presi-

> She has spent most of her time in her cabin resting. The trip so far has not proved beneficial. Doubt is visable to take the long sea trip through the Panama Canal to Porto Rico after his engagement at San Die-

> The Henderson sailed at a steady twelve knot gait across the gulf of Alaska today bound for Sitka, the last Alaskan stop. The party is scheduled to arrive at 9 o'clock Sunday morning and may remain in Sitka until

Turns Hogs in Wheat Fields

Chicago, July 21.-Thousands of farmers in the grain belt have for a means of realizing a dollar or more a bushel on wheat, despite the fact that the grain commands only 85cents in the market, it was announced here tonight by the American Farm Bu reau federation.

Reports from every part of the

wheat country, it was said, showe farmers to be turning their herds o hogs into the wheat fields to fatte the stock and simultaneously save the cost of harvesting. With wheat at \$8 cents, two cents lower than corn, and pork prices at their present level, farmer gets the dollar or more converting his wheat into pork, to conhlednoywLacreoeveryetasas federation explained.

A use has been found for the seem-