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EM-TEES

The Serious Guy.

Beware of the serious guy! The bird who smiles about as often as a century plant blooms and as though he'd been chewing a quince.

Steer clear of the old satchel face. Being serious has sent more wolves to the reason refinery than golf. He's all wrong!

The "deep stuff" squib. Off like an egg. He can't see comedy or anything foolish. He's all theories, analyzing and all that bunk. He's about as interesting and humorous as a time table.

Put him in moth balls, folks. We have grip, toothache, rheumatism, corns, politics and other ills to give us gray hair and make us gloomish without hunting and doping things to make life miserable the way the serious guy does.

Grim! Customers, grin! Don't be a haughty. Wear a grin that'll make the grand canyon look like a split hair.

Remember the old adage: grin and the world grins with you, frown and you're an empty house.

DID YOU KNOW—

That, when practicing on the piano for three or four hours the hands become tired. This can be overcome by holding the hands rigid, while someone lifts the piano up and down.

A true diplomat will always laugh at the gray haired jokes his boss springs and say, "they're new ones on me."

The tightest guy in the world is the fella who shot his dog before breakfast so he wouldn't have to feed it.

The nerviest guy in the world is the fella who had a seat in a street car and flurried with a wren hanging in front of him on a strap.

UNSOLVED MYSTERIES.

Why do these phony patent medicine ads guarantee one bottle to cure you at a dollar a bottle, then end up with offering 6 bottles for 5 bucks.

YOU CAN'T KICK ON THIS.

The price of ammunition has gone up on account of the war.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor:

Abolish the state legislature and rid ourselves of that menace to our social, financial, material and spiritual welfare; and even to the very life of our physical being. We hear they are about to sterilize a lot of us.

When rats or vermin infest a community an organized effort is made to exterminate them.

When plague and disease invade a city or state we are at once alive to the fact that heroic efforts must be made to stamp them down and out.

People are queer. When self-seeking pettifoggers alight in a community and deliver themselves of streams of unmitigated, verbal bunk, occasionally, we lend them to the legislature, supposedly because they have gall and emotion.

With the legislature abolished, if these self-seekers' abnormal proclivities passed the danger line we might have a chance to house them in lunatic asylums, or if their talents were not equal to the effort of making an honest living we could at least bunch them off to the poor house, or if they perpetrated any illegitimate acts, construed as stealing, we could locate crack them into jail, any one of which performance would be preferable and less expensive to the taxpayers than sending them to the legislature, to our expense and shame and their own ridicule.

Abolish the legislature! Why not? REVOLUTIONIST, Medford, Oregon, Feb. 1.

Old papers for sale at this office at 25c for 100.

ABOLISHING THE RECORDER

A BILL has been introduced in the legislature by Representative Gore calling for the abolition of the county recorder's office in Jackson county.

The bill was fathered by the Taxpayers' league, an organization formed early last year, which has since sought to meddle more or less officiously and equally ignorantly and futilely with public affairs. The real purposes of the organizers was disclosed shortly after the formation of the league, when the prime movers all became candidates for office at the primaries.

The abolition of the recorder's office is sought on the grounds of economy to the taxpayers, but the economy to be thereby secured is not so apparent.

The office of recorder, alone among the county offices, has been self-sustaining. Despite the lack of activity in real estate during the past few years, and the consequent falling off in revenue, it is still a moneymaker. In 1913-14 the profits of the office above cost of operation, were \$1369.22. In 1915-16, the profits were \$967.99, with nearly \$2000 smaller income.

The office, under the present incumbent, is most economically and admirably administered, a convenience and accommodation to the public. The salary of the recorder is \$2000 a year, and of his clerk, \$75 a month. It is claimed that abolition of the office would make a small saving in the salary of the deputy employed to do his work—but a competent clerk would have to be secured, and the saving would be infinitesimal. The added responsibility would justify the county clerk in asking an increase in salary that would absorb the saving. Remodeling the offices and vaults to connect would entail an expense of \$1000 or more. Then, the county clerk pockets his fees, while the recorder turns his over to the county.

It is proposed to make the county clerk the recorder. Why not also make him the tax collector and treasurer and effect still more economy? The reasons are just as potent. While we are on this fake economy stunt, we might as well go down the line.

The bill to abolish the recorder's office bears the earmarks of personal spite.

ARCTOMYS MONAX

WE are supposed to have with us today Mr. Arctomys Monax, who for twenty-four hours at least is the most influential citizen of these United States.

Mr. Monax is a member of the well-known Marmot family of South Carolina and all points north. His relatives, in fact, are scattered all the way from Savannah to Lincoln, Neb., and to Atiwiski island, which is somewhere in Hudson Bay.

"Chuck" Monax, to give him his more familiar name, is the continent's weather dictator from February 2 to March 16. Not even the combined decrees of President Wilson and Premier Borden could rescind the weather orders which Chuck will issue on this day.

"Groundhog," we call him at this time of year, but all the rest of the days he's known to most of us as "wood-chuck," and to the highbrows of scientific mind as "Arctomys Monax, the American Marmot."

Chuck, understand, isn't a mere prophet, he doesn't prophesy; he dictates. If he sees his shadow when he ventures from his hibernation hole on February 2 he scoots back and sends word to all the wild things and the tree roots and the tiny blades of grass and the waves and the windlets: "Six more weeks of winter shall there be."

And all the faithful who believe in Chuck's omnipotence, gaze from their kitchen windows at sun-up, and they say: "The groundhog'll see his shadow today; no hope for an early spring."

But if the groundhog is wrong? Tut, tut, friend; he's never wrong.

If you look out of your window on February 2 and think the groundhog will see his shadow, and nevertheless it turns out that there is an early spring, do you think that proves the groundhog wrong?

Not at all.

It simply proves you can't see straight.

THE BLUE LAW

WE are a nation of hypocrites and make a pretense of virtue that does not abide within us—concealing our secret sins under an outward coat of respectable white-wash.

Everybody wants to dictate to his neighbors and regulate others' personal habits as well as public conduct. And each repression legally secured is but the precursor of future intolerance.

Half of the members of the legislature voted for the bone-dry bill against their personal convictions. Of these, only half a dozen had nerve enough to voice or vote their honest convictions—cowed by the sentimental craze of puritanism rampant throughout the country.

The people voted for prohibition—and the "voice of the people is the voice of God," and the edict is unquestioned in our legislative halls. But at the same time the people also voted out the blue law.

Yet we have Representative Gore, at the instance of the Retail Grocers' association, introducing a bill re-establishing the Sunday blue law, remodeled to suit the grocers and Seventh-Day Adventists.

If the people's mandate is so imperative in the case of the bone-dry law, why is it not equally imperative in the case of the archaic blue law? If the people voted intolerantly upon prohibition, they voted more tolerantly upon permitting people to observe the day of rest as they see fit. Why not observe the mandate?

If a fair trial proves the necessity of blue laws, there will be plenty of time for them another legislative session. The only excuse for re-enacting this obnoxious law is that this is an age of intolerance and personal tyranny.

HUSBAND MUST MAINTAIN WIFE PENDING DIVORCE

SALEM, Feb. 2.—The House has passed a bill introduced by Thomas, providing that husbands must pay wives maintenance sums during divorce suits. The bill (H. B. 232) reads as follows:

Section 1. That Section 512 of Lord's Oregon Laws be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 512. After the commencement of a suit, and before a decree thereon, the court or judge thereof may, in its discretion, provide by order as follows:

- 1. That the husband pay, or secure to be paid, to the clerk of the court, such an amount of money as may be necessary to enable the wife to prosecute or defend the suit, as the case may be, and also such an amount of money as may be necessary to support and maintain the wife during the pendency of the suit;
2. For the care, custody and maintenance of the minor children of the marriage during the pendency of the suit;
3. For the freedom of the wife from the control of the husband during the pendency of the suit.

ELK DIGNITARY PAYS VISIT TO MEDFORD

Judge P. H. D'Arcy of Salem, district grand exalted ruler of the Elks, paid an official visit to Medford lodge 1768, giving an address. He will visit the Ashland lodge Saturday night.

Judge D'Arcy delivered a memorial day address to the G. A. R. in



Judge P. H. D'Arcy this city twelve years ago, and is well known to a number of Medford people. "It's a different city from the one then" said Judge D'Arcy. "It is to be commended for its enterprise and progress. The Elks Temple is a credit to a city five times as large." Judge D'Arcy in his early life was a newspaperman, and knows the game from "devil" to editor.

OBITUARY

Miss Elizabeth Nuttall Died—At Sacred Heart hospital, Thursday, Feb. 1, 1917, Miss Elizabeth Nuttall, age 74 years. She lived west of Medford. She has been a resident here twenty years. She was a native of England. She leaves a nephew, F. J. Howell of Talent. Funeral Saturday at 2 o'clock p. m. from Perl chapel, the Rev. A. J. A. Hogg, officiating. Interment I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Mrs. Ella B. Storm Died—At her home, 226 East Ninth street, Thursday, Feb. 1, 1917 Mrs. Ella B. Storm, wife of James B. Storm. Deceased was 59 years old, and a native of California. She has been a resident of Medford six years. She is survived by a husband, and three sons and three daughters, W. B. Storm, Puntney, Ariz., J. C. Storm, Williams, Ariz., Jesse Storm, Medford, Mrs. J. M. Kilgore, Rogue River, Mrs. Nell Gaunyaw, Gazelle, Cal., and Miss Mae Storm, Medford. The funeral services will be held this (Friday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. The body will be sent to Portland for cremation.

HEARD IN PASSING.

The ladies of Medford have some very interesting news to talk about now that M. P. & H. Co. Aluminum Club is under way. Some say they don't see how such high grade aluminum can be offered on such attractive terms.

BELLANS Absolutely Removes Indigestion. One package proves it. 25c at all druggists.

LONGER SEASON SOUGHT FOR NETTERS JOSEPHINE COUNTY

SALEM, Feb. 2.—Senator Smith of Grants Pass has introduced a bill in the senate (S. B. 206) extending the open season for commercial fishing in Josephine county from the present season, from June 1 to July 31, to from April 15 to August 1, thus giving a 165-day season for gillnetters in the upper river.

There is little likelihood that Representative Thomas will succeed in having his bill eliminating seining and set nets reconsidered favorably by the house. Most members are tired of the Rogue river fish squabble and glad to get rid of it.

Quite a sentiment is in evidence, particularly in the senate, against the sportsmen, whose demands and activity have created the impression that they have gone too far and ask too much in their efforts to restrict established industries badly needed by the state.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Reported by Jackson County Abstract Co., Sixth and Fir Sts.

Circuit Court. State vs. Guy Spencer, transcript from Ashland Justice Court. Chas. D. Colby vs. City of Medford, et al, summons, notice, stipulation. Chas. E. Magoon, (ex) vs. S. F. Richardson, demurrer. Earl Tucker vs. W. H. Nading, demurrer. Lida Meadows vs. Mathew I. Meadows, stipulation. Warner, Wortman & Gore vs. Evelyn Caldwell, summons. Bruce Locks vs. E. B. Crouch, et al, order. W. P. Fuller & Co., vs. Royal Insurance Co., order dismissing. W. F. Blackert, vs. J. A. Robinson and James R. Hayes, decree.

Probate.

Joseph W. M. Dougall, estate, administrator's bond and oath. William Robinson, estate, admitted to probate.

Real Estate Transfers.

Della Cave, et vir to C. A. Handlin, W. D. to lots in blk. 2, Tuttle's 2nd Add. Medford \$ 10 Matthew Lee Meadows, to Lida Meadows, deed to lot 12, blk. 2, Whitman Park, Medford 1 Joseph W. M. Dougall, to Wm. Moore, W. D. lot 6, blk. 15, Butte Falls 10 Van Schuyver Investment Co. to I. A. Peters, W. D. to SE cor. 39, T. 33 S., R. 2 E., W. M. 10 Harriett Silsby Johnson, et vir, to Howard M. Shaw, W. D. to SE of sec. 28, T. 40 S., R. 2 W. 10

GOVERNMENT INCREASES PRICE ON ENVELOPES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Increase in the price for all sizes of stamped envelopes, effective February 1, was announced today by the postoffice department. The raise was made necessary by the increased cost of paper. The increases average 43 cents per 1000 envelopes.

BAD BREATH

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets Get at the Cause and Remove It

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the substitute for calomel, act gently on the bowels and positively do the work. People afflicted with bad breath find quick relief through Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The pleasant, sugar-coated tablets are taken for bad breath by all who know them.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets act gently but firmly on the bowels and liver, stimulating them to natural action, clearing the blood and gently purifying the entire system. They do that which dangerous calomel does without any of the bad after effects.

All the benefits of nasty, sickening, gripping cathartics are derived from Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets without gripping, pain or any disagreeable effects.

Dr. F. M. Edwards discovered the formula after seventeen years of practice among patients afflicted with bowel and liver complaint with the attendant bad breath.

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ANTI-ALIEN LAND BILL WITHDRAWN IN OREGON SENATE

SALEM, Or., Feb. 2.—Oregon's anti-alien land bill was withdrawn from the legislature here today by Senator George R. Wilbur, democrat, Hood River, who introduced it, because, as he said, he did not want to handicap President Wilson with possible Japanese complications during the present international crisis.

Senator Wilbur said nothing about receiving requests from Washington to withdraw the measure. "I have noted by the press dispatches the desire that these bills should not be pressed at this time in view of the present grave diplomatic situation," he said.

"If these were normal times I would not withdraw this bill, but on account of existing conditions I wish to leave the government at Washington free to handle the situation.

"I have not lost faith in this bill," he added. "I think the time is coming when members of the Oregon legislature will be sent here with instructions from their constituents to pass such a law."

In spite of high prices on all food-stuffs NONE SUCH MINCE MEAT continues to sell for 12c to 15c A Package The best and cheapest pie is a NONE SUCH Mince Pie.

MERRELL-SOULE CO., Syracuse, N. Y. SUFFERING CATS: GIVE THIS MAN THE GOLD MEDAL

Let folks step on your feet hereafter; wear shoes a size smaller if you like, for corns will never again send electric sparks of pain through you, according to this Cincinnati authority.

He says that a few drops of a drug called freezeone, applied directly upon a tender, aching corn, instantly relieves soreness, and soon the entire corn, root and all, lifts right out.

This drug is a sticky ether compound, but dries at once and simply shrivels up the corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue.

It is claimed that a quarter of an ounce of freezeone obtained at any drug store will cost very little but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. Cut this out, especially if you are a woman reader who wears high heels.

Medford, Oregon, Jan. 18, 1917 TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I, the undersigned, had very severe stomach trouble and had been bothered for several years and last August was not expected to live, and hearing of Gim Chung (whose Herb Store is at 241 South Front street in Medford) I decided to get herbs for my stomach trouble, and I started to feeling better as soon as I used them, and today am a well man and can heartily recommend anyone afflicted as I was to see Gim Chung and try his Herbs.

(Signed) W. R. JOHNSON, Witnesses: M. A. Anderson, Medford. S. B. Holmes, Eagle Point. Frank Lewis, Eagle Point. Wm. Lewis, Eagle Point. W. L. Childreth, Eagle Point. C. E. Moore, Eagle Point. C. V. McIntyre, Eagle Point. Geo. B. Von der Hellen, Eagle Point. Thos. E. Nichols, Eagle Point. John S. Orth, Medford.

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"Kie-Yie-Yie! Get Me 'Gets-It' Quick!"

2 Drops Make Corn "Fall" Off! "I've joined the Never-Again Club. Never again will I use anything for corns but 'Gets-It'. Put 2 drops of 'Gets-It' on, and from that time, and the corn begins to shrivel, and the corn begins to fall off."



"Oh, Don't Touch It! It's So Sure! Use 'Gets-It' and It Will Never Be Sure!"

Instead of swelling up like a little white sponge. Then it loosens from your foot—and, glory in it!—the corn comes off as though you'd taken a glove off your hand!

Yes, "Gets-It" is the corn discoverer of the age. Store "Gets-It" in sold by many times than any other corn remedy in existence. Try it and you'll know the reason why. It takes two seconds to apply it, and it dries at once. That's all. Don't experiment—follow the experience of millions and use "Gets-It".

"Gets-It" is sold everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent on receipt of price by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Sold in Medford and recommended as the world's best corn remedy by Leon B. Haskins, Medford Pharmacy, and Heath's Drug Store.

Your Breakfast as well as every other meal will be highly appreciated if you use 'Medford Creamery' Butter

It is made from Pasteurized cream, the modern method. Insist on having your grocer send you this brand.

SALTS IS FINE FOR KIDNEYS, QUIT MEAT

Finish the Kidneys at once when Back Hurts or Bladder bothers—Meat forms uric acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headache, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity, also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which all regular meat eaters should take now to keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.

INTERURBAN AUTOCAR CO. TIME CARD.

Leave Medford for Ashland, Talent and Phoenix daily, except Sunday, at 8:00 a. m., 1:00, 2:00, 4:00 and 5:15 p. m. Also on Saturday at 10:15 p. m. Sundays leave at 10:30 a. m. and 2:00, 5:00 and 9:30 p. m. Leave Ashland for Medford daily, except Sunday, at 9:00 a. m., 1:00, 2:00, 4:00 and 5:15 p. m. Also on Saturday nights at 6:30. Sundays leave Ashland at 9:00 a. m. and 1:00, 6:00 and 10:30 p. m.

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