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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Agitation has been launched for the closing of moving picture shows upon the Sabbath. The chief functions of the movie is to entertain, instruct and amuse, therefore, it is deadly. Bigotry and prudery, like wild mustard and Bolshevism, once they get a tall hold are difficult to pry loose.

Most people can see the justness in prohibition, but they can not see harm in the sweet winsomeness of Norma Talmadge, or the antics of the cock-eyed comedian settling down on a hot horseshoe. The films preach sermons, often with an effectiveness the pulpit might envy.

Much of the opposition to prohibition comes from the fear that it will be only a wedge to open the way for an avalanche of half-baked reform theories, fathered and mothered by self-appointed emissaries who will impose hair-trigger notions galore, that serve no good, and accomplish nothing except to annoy.

Somebody is always predicting a "social upheaval." Efforts to deprive people of the "movies" and similar amusements, is liable to bring an "upheaval" the unexpected way.

ALSO WETTER (Roseburg Review)

The Kanitz family have sought more congenial fields. Their goods marks said Hornbrook, Cal.

W. Walte, the cornet virtuoso who has been driving a quartet of mules down in Cal., returned Mon. am to the valley and home cooking.

How the Huns would laugh if the defeated foe whined for mercy like they do? One can almost hear the Prussian snorts of glee? The All Highest would fall out of his chair with joy.

WHEREIN A LADY TAKES HER PEN IN HAND, AND SAME IS READ IN COURT

(S. F. Chronicle)

"My Own Dear George: Well, lover, how is my old sweetheart? Dearly, do you miss me? George, my heart aches for you dear. I am yours always with barrels of love and kisses from mother and the girls. Fernie is fine and dandy but misses her dear daddy. Yes, so do I. God love him."

The British aviator who attempted the flight of the Atlantic at one jump deserved a kinder fate than failure.

A Mistake Made by Many

Don't wait for rheumatism to indicate diseased kidneys. When you suffer pains and aches by day and sleep disturbing bladder weakness by night, feel tired, nervous and run down, the kidneys and bladder should be restored to healthy, strong and regular action. It is a mistake to postpone treatment. Foley Kidney Pills put the kidneys in sound, healthy condition and keep them active and strong. Begin taking today. Good results follow the first dose. For sale by Medford Pharmacy.

Henry Mox is a New York City guest registered at the Hotel Medford.

Man's Trouble Arrested

"The past 4 years I have been going down, down, down with catarrh of the stomach and had to give up work a year ago because of my weakened condition. I suffered terribly from bloating and colic attacks. May's Wonderful Remedy was recommended to me. I took a course of it and am now feeling fine." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. For sale by Druggists everywhere. Adv.

ITS GREAT TO BE—

JUST a minute, please. Transatlantic races one day and President Wilson's message the next, may have crossed our cerebral cables, but if not our chief executive believes in:

- Beer. Light wines. Private ownership of railroads, and A protective tariff.

Zing! Is this the dream of the rarebit fiend or merely delirium? Perhaps this is a joke by Mr. Burleson, or there has been an error in Secretary Tumulty's tumultuous temple. We have hurriedly scanned the message over once and portions of it twice and here is what appears to be therein:

"It seems to be entirely safe now to remove the ban upon the manufacture and sale of wine and beer."

"The railroads should be handed over to their owners at the end of the calendar year."

"The United States should have the means of properly protecting itself whenever our trade is discriminated against."

It is early yet. There may be some corrections en route, paresis may have settled upon us with its paralyzing hand, and the office force has unknown to us sent for Doc Yak.

But at the moment this is what we see. Tomorrow it may be different. We hope not. We enjoy sensation and here it is; we crave excitement and here we have it.

"Take therefore no thought of the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself."

THE HOME STUDY TOUR

"MORALS," said Ruskin "are the result of home environment. Home environment is not the result of morals. No man or woman will respond to ethical persuasion if surrounded by filth and discomfort, and no man will either be a good citizen or a good worker, if he lives in dirt and material squalor."

In other words a comfortable home, supplied with conveniences and free from depressing confusion, is the first step to a self-respecting and efficient citizenship. It is particularly important in rural communities and of tremendous moment to the rural housewife.

The home study tour in Jackson county which will be held May 21st and 22nd, is designed to give a practical demonstration of what has been done by local ranchers in the way of making their homes more convenient and more attractive. The ladies of Phoenix will be hostesses the first day and the ladies of the Greater Medford Club will serve coffee near the Carpenter home the second day. Professor Peck of O. A. C. will be on hand, to give suggestions and explain the advantages in the arrangement and equipment of the homes visited.

This is another excellent movement, promoted by the county rural agents, C. C. Cate and Miss Anne McCormick, and should be heartily supported by the people of Southern Oregon. No individuals in the community are doing more valuable work and more practical constructive service than Mr. Cate and Miss McCormick, and with the visiting nurse, Miss McGrail, they deserve the praise and gratitude of every resident of the county.

This Home Study tour should be a splendid success, and be made a permanent feature of the rural reconstruction movement in this part of the state.

The Skull of Sultan Okwama

WASHINGTON, May 19.—"Germany is to restore within six months... the skull of the Sultan Okwama, formerly in German East Africa, to his Britannic majesty's government."

"This sentence from the official summary of the peace treaty presented to the Germans at Versailles set official Washington wondering and swamped libraries and scientific institutions in the capital with inquiries," says a bulletin from the National Geographic society.

"Among some tribes of Africa, including German East Africa, skulls of former rulers, called sultans, are held in high veneration, and their possession often is of marked political value.

"There are numerous tribes in German East Africa alone, and as many of these sultans as there are tribes. It is apparent that Sultan Okwama was a sort of Mohammed or Confucius among his clansmen, and that the nation which assumes sovereignty over the people who revere his skeleton, and probably worship his skull remains, will be received with greater friendliness if it can restore the pre-lous talisman.

"Furthermore the removal of the skull sheds a sidelight upon the long arm of German propaganda, reaching even into darkest Africa in contemplation of 'der tag' of Prussia's day under the scorching equatorial sun.

"The German government contributed a goodly sum for an expedition headed by Adolphus Frederick, Duke of Mecklenburg, which ostensibly made a scientific study of the German protectorate in Africa in 1907-08.

"There is good reason to believe that the explorers were not wholly unaware of political advantages and by way of a tribal coup d'etat took away with them the skull which now has gained such unlooked for publicity.

"The duke wrote a book about his travels in which he states, in summarizing the results of his expedition, that '1,017 skulls and about 4000 ethnographica were collected.' He described visits to various 'sultans.' At one point he digresses from botany and linguistics to give this naive comment on German policy: 'It is desired to strengthen and enrich the sultan and persons in authority, and to increase thereby their interest in the countenance of German rule... At the same time, by steadily controlling and directing

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Advertisement for The Gusher Cafe. Text: 'The Gusher Cafe The Percheron Stallion PAUL. The Percheron stallion Paul is registered in the American Breeders and Importers Percheron Registry, No. 53727. Color black. Foaled July 8, 1910. Bred by A.C. Ruby, Portland, Oregon. Sired by Raspaal 51185. First dam Pauline 51548. Paul will make the season of 1919 as follows: Mondays and Tuesday at Dr. Holms barn in Medford. Wednesdays and Thursdays at Tal-ent. Saturday at Barron. Terms—\$20 to insure in foal. \$15 for the season and \$7.50 for single service. Butler Walker, Owner. CHARLES T. HOMES, Manager'