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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

It was reverently declared during
the war, always with the proper fer-
vent droop on the eyebrows, and pas-
sionate whine in the voice, that when
that bloody, but more or less neces-
sary job was finished, the world
would be better via a "new spirit."
Perhaps you have noticed the "new
spirit" in the increase in encephalitis,
and the alacrity with which humans
endeavor to skin one another.

The whiskey insurrection in Mich-
igan may be the event that casts the
shadow of a rebellion to get a cup of
coffee ten years further on.

Mexico announces a new uprising
in May, along the border. This gives
ample time for the effective side-
tracking of any and all precautions,
along the border.

Information is contained in the
last issue of the Sat Eve Post that
"salesmanship is on the decline."
Now that somebody has mentioned it
one observes that the local counter
jumping has been below par, for some
time.

Peter Hellketch is a dweller at
Twin Falls, Idaho, which is what
most of us catch.

Dispatches from London and Mad-
rid contain the information that the
cigar girls of Gibraltar have gone on
a strike again, this time for more air
in their working quarters and they
probably need it, as they do many
other things. It may be that some of
those senioritas are the same senior-
itas that this col. last year gave cig-
arettes and chocolate. Some of the
lot would stop a clock, and some were
the type of beauty that men look
twice at, when they pass, and one or
two were worth looking at three
times. Most of them could knock
more music out of a guitar than a
full jazz orchestra, and possessed
voices, that would land them in a
choir singing anthems Sunday morn-
ings in this country. The called cigar
girls they made cigarettes most of
the time, none of which they ever
smoked, preferring the American
brand, which they were always able
to beg.

Another picture depicting the hun-
ger, this time of Syria, has come to
light and strange to relate, the vic-
tims all appear as well fed as Bill
Gates.

Some of the spring styles for the
women look like they had been
sprung a bit too far. Some of the
1920 skirts are equipped with bot-
tomless pockets.

Sid Brown is driving Ed Brown's
vehicle, while the latter is on his an-
nual pad to the north, and, Mon,
stuck his hand out at the Main stem
and Cent, which was mistook for a
ham by an innocent bystander.

A "lost speech" of Lincoln's has
been recovered, and it is too bad that
some of the modern orators do not
lose theirs.

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SMITH AND McARTHUR.

WATCH this man Eugene Smith. He's to oppose
Congressman McArthur. Smith has a slim chance
of winning, but we opine Pat will know he has been in a
hoss race when it is all over.

Eugene Smith is one of the two or three labor repre-
sentatives in the state legislature. He is not the brainiest
man in the world, nor the greatest orator, but in the last
two sessions he stood head and shoulders above the ma-
jority of his colleagues in both brains and oratorical pow-
ers, while in his sense of the real social and economic situ-
ation in this country, he was in a class by himself.

Smith belongs to the Gompers school of thought. Which
means he is a labor conservative. He is fighting as hard
against the Bolsheviki within the ranks of labor, as he is
fighting against the outlaw within the ranks of capital.

Representing labor he was under a severe handicap at
the outset, but by degrees his fair-minded attitude won
friends, until at the close of the session he was recognized
by such a close observer as Chapman of the Oregon Voter
as one of the most capable, most fearless and most public
spirited members of the house.

In fighting McArthur, Smith is fighting a type of the
out-and-out anti-laborite. McArthur has been one of the
few public men with the courage of his convictions. Unlike
Mr. Root he favors a law against the strike, he considers
the labor movement the greatest menace to the country
at the present time, and he neither asks nor gives quar-
ter to the organized brothers of toil.

Therefore, the contest will be worth watching. Unless
all signs fail McArthur will win. For the temper of the
country at the present time is all in his favor. But that
doesn't mean by any means that Eugene Smith will not
be heard from.

The time is coming when a public representative like
Smith will be far more valuable to Oregon than a public
representative of the type of McArthur. For Smith in
reality represents the only cure for social revolution we
have—that is the public official who has the sympathy of
labor because he has lived with and sympathized with
labor and at the same time has no animus against capital,
has no desire to see the present economic system over-
thrown, and thus can, through his efforts and endeavors,
construct a bond of union and accommodation between
them.

McArthur carried to his logical conclusion means revolu-
tion, Smith means evolution; McArthur means a fight
to the finish between capital and labor for class control.
Smith means a fight to the finish between capital and
labor for a square deal for mutual control. McArthur is
the man of today, Smith is the man of tomorrow.

A \$150,000 church to be known as the People's Temple
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and Jackson County. Theology aside, two of the most
important assets in any community are good schools and
good churches. Such an institution, under the leadership
of a progressive and enlightened leader like Rev. Sasnett,
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munity.

Root and Hoover both favor prompt ratification of the
peace treaty with concessions from the Wilson wing. They
are both for a liberal labor policy, they are both for an in-
ternational court of adjudication. In fact, it looks as
though they belong to the same party, while Sherman,
Borah, Johnson, Reed, et al, belong to some other party,
not yet formed.

Governor Edwards will fight for a wet plank in the
democratic platform, which suggests that difference of
opinion are not exclusively the property of republicans.

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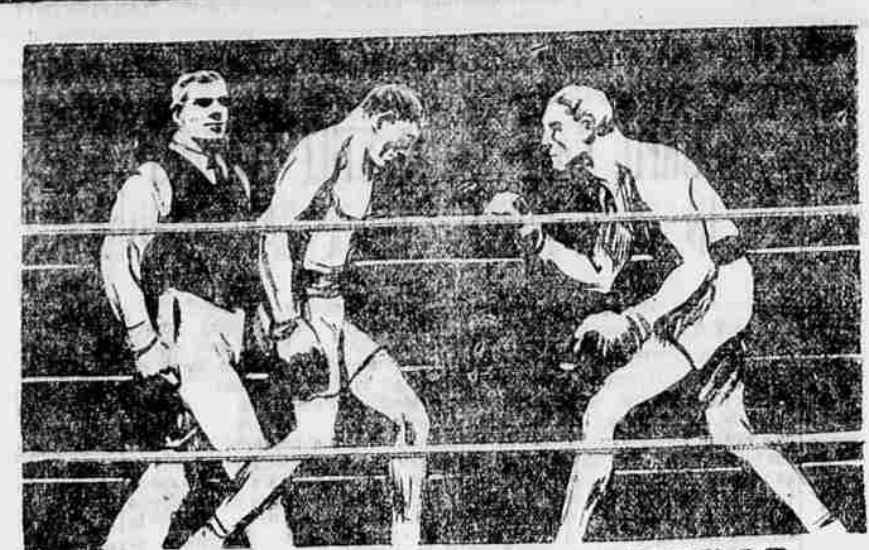
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