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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry. A gent in the east has commercialized the gentle art of column conducting by offering to give lessons therein, for a fee, cash in hand, and delivery.

The first thing to do is to catch your column, and name it.

The cardinal principles are but three, to-wit: kissing, kicking, and kidding.

One can always aim his kissing gun at the following: the administration, anybody in Mexico, Bill Bryan, the Kaiser, the Bolsheviks, sin, short skirts, oratory, ids, congress, the weather, whiskers, and capitalists, all of which have many sides.

The skirts of the fair sex will soon be so short that they will take a big league dressmaker to distinguish them from kites.

Congress should ratify the peace treaty right off, and, no longer delay a much needed rain, waiting to expensively pour its blessings on a parched land.

In kicking, the boots should always be directed at taxes or prohibition. Both are unpopular because they exist.

Whistling, once a happy custom of the masses and the classes, is on the decline owing to the lack of whistle wetting oil.

Inflamed by a cherry sody, a father of mine, staggered home recently, and decapitated his flock with a double-bitted ax.

The third and last principle is kidding, and is founded on the theory that he who laughs can also run, the last named characteristic being absolutely essential, so much so that all students will be compelled to take a course in running. After qualifying in plain and fancy sprinting, standing start, the daring young scribbler can spring something along this line:

Dave Rosenberg, the little shepherd of the valley, suspects that somebody is trying to pull the wool over his optics.

Sid Brown says if oil is hit, he will spread the glad news on the run, which is the first time he ever got out of a walk.

There is only one Don't. Never mention a woman by name. If she has no desire to kill you some of her men folks have.

It is very simple, that is why they offer "a penny for your thoughts."

SAGE TEA DARKENS HAIR TO ANY SHADE

Don't Stay Gray! Here's an Old-time Recipe that Anybody can Apply.

The use of Sage and Sulphur for restoring faded, gray hair to its natural color dates back to grandmother's time. She used it to keep her hair beautifully dark, glossy and attractive.

Whenever her hair took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect.

But beware! At home is miskey and out-of-date. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for a bottle of "Wych's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get this famous old preparation, improved by the addition of other ingredients, which can be depended upon to restore natural color and beauty to the hair.

A well-known downtown druggist says it darkens the hair so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, it becomes beautifully dark and glossy.

Wych's Sage and Sulphur Compound is a delightful toilet requisite for those who desire a more youthful appearance. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason

THE POPULAR GAME.

EVERY one is profiteering, every one is profiting; no one's pleased unless he's clearing ninety cents on every buck. I would buy myself some clothing—something shabby worn out suffice—but my soul is filled with loathing when I contemplate the price. I would buy a slab of bacon, but the man who sells the same by his conscience is forsaken, and his prices are a shame. I would like to paint my shanty, whose appearance is a frost, but the burning words of Dante can't do justice to the cost. Now and then I go a-questing for the reason for this craze; and the blame is always resting on some distant nameless jays. Oh, the blame is never local, it is always most remote; and each man profanely vocal, says some others get his goat. Vain is all our loud resistance to the graft that makes us sick; always in the hazy distance are the knaves who do the trick. Always in elusive shadow is the profiteering group, which has found its El Dorado, while consumers find their soup. Far away the robbers shameless who harpoon us through and through; and your merchant prince is blameless—he gets stung as well as you.

THE STATE TREASURY SCANDAL

THERE is considerable excitement in the state over the scandal in the state treasurer's office. It seems that one broker firm has had a monopoly of the state's business and has profited somewhat scandalously thereby. An audit and a grand jury investigation have been launched, to smoke out the guilty party.

We venture the prediction the guilty party will not be found. For, unless we are much mistaken, there is no guilty party. The guilt will be found, we opine, with no person, but with the grand and glorious electorate of Oregon.

No one who knows state treasurer Hoff, questions for a moment, his integrity or his business incapacity. True, there may have been malfeasance among his subordinates. But even so, there is nothing fantastic in saying that Mr. Hoff, under such circumstances, would not be as guilty as the people who put him there.

For Mr. Hoff is no more fitted by training or temperament for the important post of state treasurer than Rip Van Winkle. If the people of Oregon were in the habit of voting for a man on the ground of fitness for the position concerned, Mr. Hoff could have counted his votes on his two hands.

To make this point clear, imagine for a moment that a \$100,000,000 corporation,—which the state of Oregon is,—wanted a treasurer and that Mr. Hoff should apply. If you know Mr. Hoff, you needn't be told the result. He would be lucky if he escaped the attentions of the corporation's alienist. As a matter of actual fact, there probably isn't a man in public life in this state who is less fitted for the position of state treasurer than the man who occupies it.

So while the jury investigation and the audit, and all the scandal that is certain to follow, are unavoidable, and for that matter, desirable; the value of the entire proceeding to the people of Oregon will be lost, unless it awakens a few citizens to the folly and the political iniquity of voting for public officials without thinking.

The election of Mr. Hoff as state treasurer was the plain result of popular indifference to public business. It was also the result of one of America's most dangerous habits,—the habit of putting the public business into the hands of politicians instead of business men.

Honesty is the supreme qualification. But Oregon is full of honest men and well-meaning ones. What the people of Oregon should have and should insist upon, are men who are neither crooks nor incompetents. This will never come about until the people are sufficiently aroused over incidents like the present one to take half as much interest in their public as their private business.

COMMUNICATIONS

(The Mail-Tribune welcomes communications on any subject of general interest but is in no way responsible for the sentiments expressed. Only in exceptional cases will communications of over 200 words be printed. All communications must be signed by the writer's name, which may upon the writer's request be withheld.)

An Answer to Student To the Editor:

In the communication from a high school student, given in a late issue, this person intimates that the sole reason for the present condition in the school system is that the student body of Medford, high reprobates Superintendent Davenport because he is requiring harder work and that the entire public is agitated because he has attempted to raise the standard.

It is quite noncommittal and beneficial that a higher ideal should be sought at all times in a progressive school system, but it is necessary to sacrifice fifteen of our best instructors and the peace and good will of our entire city for the attainment of a standard, whose crowning attributes, peace and prosperity, were destroyed in the process?

Is this a time for the students and patrons to think of self and self alone, when those teachers, who have given their best, under such and every trying circumstance during the past two years, for the benefit of

the pupils and patrons of Medford, have been insultingly dismissed?

The idea that radical methods should be used to abolish the present system is an entirely mistaken one, for such actions are degrading to all concerned. I believe it is the duty of every taxpayer, patron and pupil in Medford to co-operate in order that those teachers deprived of their positions, without any reason except that they did not possess the required qualifications, may be reinstated and that the Medford schools may once more resume their work in a constructive and not destructive atmosphere.

A STUDENT.

Davenport Should Resign To the Editor:—

In answering the communication of "a Medford High School Student," I will challenge her (or him) to prove her statement regarding the support of Superintendent Davenport, by the

licensed City Scavenger.

Sure Relief BELL-ANS FOR INDIGESTION

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All refuse immediately removed on short notice. Weekly visit in residence districts. Daily business district. Phones 277-3.

H. W. BORING, a well-to-do Kansas farmer, says he has gained twenty pounds in weight and is in better general health than he has been in years since taking Tanlac.



"Since Tanlac has overcome my troubles I have gained twenty pounds in weight and am in better general health than for years past." was the straight-forward statement made a few days ago by H. W. Boring, a prominent and well-to-do farmer living at Overland Park, Kans.

"During the two years I suffered I tried everything I knew of to get relief, but nothing seemed to reach my case until I tried Tanlac. My appetite was poor and my digestion was so bad I could hardly retain my food. Nothing agreed with me; in fact I was almost a confirmed dyspeptic. My whole system seemed to be out of shape. I would have pains across the small of my back so bad at times I could hardly move around.

"My nerves were all unstrung and I would become up-set at the least little thing. I seldom slept well at night and, finally, became so weak and run-down that I lost weight rapidly. I was also troubled a great deal with catarrh and of mornings had to spend a half hour or more clearing up my head.

"This is just the condition I was in when I began taking Tanlac and it certainly has been a blessing to me. It just seemed to be made especially for my case. I improved from the very first. My digestion now is perfect and regardless of what I eat I never suffer any bad after effects.

"The pains across my back have entirely disappeared. The catarrh has left me, too, and my head is perfectly clear. I am no longer nervous and rest well every night. I have regained my lost weight and am feeling better and stronger than I have in years. I am going to keep Tanlac in my house so it will be handy at all times.

Tanlac is sold in Medford by West Side Pharmacy, and by leading druggists in every town. Adv.

Students, by circulating a petition among the students of Medford High School asking them to support the administration.

In these times of prejudice and radicalism it is hard to get people to consider this matter from a logical, reasonable viewpoint. Let us consider the facts. For the sake of argument we will say that Mr. Davenport has the best interests of the schools at heart, but he can never accomplish good in this city because he has lost the respect of the big majority of the students. I say a big majority of the students, from 75 to 90 per cent of the student body, and I would say to those who are far-minded enough to test this; to interview a representative number of students separately and note the proportion of the two factions.

In my short experience I have found that the man or woman who deserves respect, generally gets it. The students are practically unanimous in their feelings of respect for the principal and teachers. An interview with any of the teachers will convince anyone that the teachers are treated respectfully and courteously.

People seem to have an idea that all high school students are some kind of a devil-bol-buck annual, and are anxious for anarchy. This is a mistaken idea, as most of the students are here to get an education and they know what they want.

Therefore, I say that Mr. Davenport, however high his ideals, his aspirations, or his aims, has outlived his usefulness in this school system and should, therefore, end this disgraceful affair by immediately resigning.

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"I like to see a man proud of the town in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his town will be proud of him." A. Lincoln. Image of Lincoln and the Capitol building.

The BANK OF ABSOLUTE SAFETY The Medford National Bank YES! YES! Conservative Banking cares for every worthy local interest, but Capitalizes none. Speculative Promotion Is Always Unsafe Banking. YOUR BANK Does Not Speculate. W. S. C.

Vegetables For Saturday Vegetables are more plentiful and we will have an extra supply for Saturday's business. Leaf Lettuce, Cauliflower, Rhubarb, Head Lettuce, Green Peas, R. eubarb, Radishes, Fresh Asparagus, Turnips, Green Onions, Artichokes, Cabbages, Parsley, Ripe Tomatoes, Carrots. FRESH FRUITS: Oranges, Bananas, Florida Grape Fruit. EXTRA FANCY NEWTOWN APPLES. Personal Attention, Prompt Service. H. E. Marsh. Phone 252 Grocer Phone 252

Basketball! Ashland vs. Medford NAT Saturday Night AT 7:30 p. m. Age Limit for Rooters 1 year to 100 years WE WANT EVERYBODY OUT To See Medford "Rip 'Em Up"

TAXI MEDFORD IRON WORKS FOUNDRY AND MACHINE SHOP Dodge Car, stand corner Main and Bartlett. Phone 900. J. D. DELANEY. 17 South Riverside.

Cafe Holland Special Club Breakfasts. No. 1-35c (1) Egg, Ham, Hot Cakes, Coffee. No. 2-35c (1) Egg, Bacon, Hot Cakes, Coffee. No. 3-35c (3) Wheat Cakes, Country Sausage, Stripped Bacon or Buckwheat Cakes, Ham, Coffee. No. 4-35c Fried Mush with Bacon, Coffee. No. 5-35c Breakfast Steak, Toast, Coffee. No. 6-35c (1) Pork Chop, (2) Corn Cakes, Coffee. No. 7-35c Plain Omelette, Wheat Cakes, Coffee. No. 8-35c Plain Omelette, Wheat Cakes, Coffee. ORDER BY NUMBER. GOOD CLOTHES. I Make Them. KLEIN Tailor. 128 East Main St.

FERTILIZERS To fertilize means to increase your crops, add beauty to your flowers, and speed up the growth of fruits and vegetables, ripening them earlier, thereby avoiding the frosts, and saving your crop. Let us talk fertilizer to you personally. MONARCH Seed & Feed Co. 317 East Main Street. GIM CHUNG China Herb Store.

Herb cure for earache, headache, catarrh, diphtheria, sore throat, lung trouble, kidney trouble, stomach trouble, heart trouble, chills and fever, cramps, coughs, poor circulation, carbuncles, tumors, cracked breast, cures all kinds of gotters. NO OPERATIONS. Medford, Oregon, Jan. 13, 1917. 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 214 South Front street, 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: Wm. Lewis, Eagle Point, W. L. Childers, Eagle Point, M. A. Anderson, Medford, S. B. Holmes, Eagle Point, C. E. Moore, Eagle Point, J. V. McIntyre, Eagle Point, Geo. Von der Hellen, Eagle Point, Thos. E. Nichols, Eagle Point.

INTERURBAN AUTOCAR CO. Schedule from October 1, 1919. Daily (Except Sunday) Leave Medford—Leave Ashland— 7:10 a. m., 7:10 a. m., 8:00 a. m., 9:00 a. m., 8:55 a. m., 9:00 a. m., 9:10 a. m., 9:25 a. m., 10:00 a. m., 10:10 a. m., 10:40 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 12:00 p. m., 12:45 p. m., 1:00 p. m., 1:25 p. m., 2:10 p. m., 2:10 p. m., 3:00 p. m., 3:45 p. m., 4:00 p. m., 4:25 p. m., 5:30 p. m., 5:30 p. m., 6:30 p. m., 7:00 p. m., 6:40 p. m., 8:40 p. m., 8:40 p. m. Sat. only 9:30 p. m. Sat. only 9:30 p. m. Sat. only 10:30 p. m. 12:15 p. m. midnight Sat. only SUNDAY ONLY Leave Medford—Leave Ashland— 10:00 a. m., 9:00 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 1:00 p. m., 2:00 p. m., 3:00 p. m., 4:00 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 6:30 p. m., 8:30 p. m., 8:30 p. m. Office and waiting room No. 5 South Front, Nash Hotel Building. Phone 309.

Jacksonville—Medford INTERURBAN AUTOCAR CO. Schedule from Jan. 16, 1920, Daily Except Sunday. Leave Medford: 7:10 a. m., 8:00 a. m., 9:00 a. m., 10:00 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 12:00 noon, 1:30 p. m., 2:30 p. m., 3:30 p. m., 4:30 p. m., 5:30 p. m., 6:30 p. m., Sat. only 7:30 p. m., 9:30 p. m., Sat. only 10:30 p. m. Leave Jacksonville: 7:30 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 9:30 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 1:00 p. m., 2:00 p. m., 3:00 p. m., 4:00 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 7:00 p. m., Sat. only 8:00 p. m., Sat. only 9:50 p. m. Sunday Only Leave Medford: 9:00 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 12:00 noon, 2:30 p. m., 4:00 p. m., 5:30 p. m., 7:00 p. m., 9:30 p. m., 10:30 p. m. Leave Jacksonville: 9:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 2:00 p. m., 3:30 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 6:30 p. m., 7:30 p. m., 9:50 p. m. Office and waiting room No. 5 S. Front, Nash Hotel Building, Jacksonville waiting room at Reter's Confectionery.