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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

The governor in his message to the legislature asserts that "the Japs should work out their destiny in Asia," and forgot to mention that the Finns at Astoria should work out their destiny in Finland.

Ev. Beames, Port Neff and G. Newberry, a trio of lawyers, held court in the middle of Central Avenida Tues. eve., and came close to being adjourned by being run over by a motor vehicle.

Unless some judgment is used by the weather man the daily shower is going to become a "reign of terror."

The women are getting back to a pre-war shooting band. A school ma'am at Redding, Cal., took six shots at an ornery lover, and never hit the target once.

"We do Not Pick Our Customers. All Are Welcome."—(Ad Chico Enterprise)

One of T. Bill Isaac's men is getting so he sweeps off the sidewalk in front of the pantry with the quiet grace and delicate finesse of a Nipponese janitor.

THE PENALTY OF GAWKING

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 11.—The fleeting glimpse of a trim ankle was responsible for Frank Adams drawing a prison sentence of from one to five years in the state penitentiary today.

Turkey and Greece have gone to war. The Greeks do not know what they are fighting for, except that it is something that the Turks have. A good looking will do neither any particular harm, and let all good citizens hope that it will not be necessary for America to send an expeditionary force to maintain the moral integrity of the stringy-haired Hytians.

The W. C. T. U. of Marshfield held a special meeting last Saturday, "by order of the full committee."

A Chicago citizen who made \$100,000 in eight months bootlegging was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1000, and that in carrying the vengeance of the law entirely too far. Young man! Master chemistry and get a boot.

President-elect Harding has been officially notified that he will be inaugurated March 4th. The distinguished citizen suspected that something like this was coming off.

There is still considerable doubt in the minds of antiists that crashing into a freight train on the Main Stem crossing would be fatal.

Kansas started a war on the cigarette, and now has in hands full with the Non-Partisan League.

TAGGED BOY SENT TO WRONG ADDRESS

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—After having been compelled to remain in the care of the police for a day because of the misdirected tag which brought him here from his home in Marshfield, Ore., Bartlett Mackinson, four years old, was given into the care of his grandfather, Charles McKay of Oakland today. The tag bore McKay's name and a San Francisco address. The child was kept here until the right address could be found and McKay notified. He was sent here because his widowed mother is too ill to take care of him.

NOTHING MYSTERIOUS.

NAVAL LIEUTENANT FARRELL smashed Naval Lieutenant Hinton in the mid ribs and knocked him over the table. Whereupon the Toronto aerial club cancelled an official banquet to the heroic air men, the U. S. Navy announces an investigation, and the combatant's wives cry in each others arms.

Of course, such a denouement to a romantic and self-sacrificing adventure is deplorable, but scarcely worthy of such serious consideration. It would be much better, for the Toronto aerial club and the navy department to forget the incident, as the two principals have done.

For there is probably little mystery in the encounter. Danger is a great nerve stimulant. It is also a tremendous cohesive force. Concentrate a mutual danger into a short space of time, then suddenly release it, and surprising physical and psychological reactions invariably result. Dr. Nansen wrote that a return from the hardships of a polar expedition almost always resulted in two or three fist fights among the crew. Fighting Nature, like fighting nations creates an excessive state of combative energy, which struggles for an outlet when outside pressure is withdrawn, and usually exhibits no more wisdom or self-control in its ultimate manifestation than other explosions.

Serbia, Greece and Bulgaria fought Turkey shoulder to shoulder, valiant comrades in arms, and then when the foe was beaten promptly started to fight among themselves. Combat arouses passions which are difficult to control, as internal conditions in those countries, which recently participated in the recent war, amply demonstrates. There is nothing mysterious about it. The cause lies deep in human nature.

So this little fistie encounter better be forgotten. The worst that can be said, is that the participants lack maturity and self-control. They ate breakfast together this morning, both undoubtedly feeling much better after their little exercise. Leave them alone. Only children cry when an engine blows off its safety valve.



Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason

HARD TO FIGURE.

I KNOW not why I always think a new year will be fine, and I feel it will not put a kink in glowing plans of mine; or why a year seems on the blink when 'tis in its decline. "I've muddled things this year," I say, when I regard the past; "I've let my kopecks fly away like leaves upon the blast, but doubtless after New Year's Day improvement will be vast. The new year brings a change of luck to every human freak; my bank account the old year struck, and made my coffers leak, but now I'll save a silver buck, and maybe two, each week." The new year has a magic touch, or so, methinks, it seems; she is a vampire and as such she brings us lopsided dreams and ere she dies we get in lurch, with all our burnished schemes. I know I simply can't be wise, my deeds are all mistakes, I travel with the bonehead guys whose high resolves are fakes; how then shall I to wisdom rise because a new year breaks? In folly I've grown old and gray, and in my Moated Grange I count great chances thrown away, and it is passing strange that I exclaim on New Year's Day; "Now things will take a change!"

CHILD FEEDING FUND PASSES \$200 MARK

Every prominent charitable organization in the country has endorsed the Hoover European Aid fund, and practically every district in the country has contributed liberally. That there is wide spread support in Jackson county for this aid to three and a half million starving children is demonstrated by the liberal response to the appeal made by this paper.

It is the purpose of the Mail Tribune to conclude the campaign as far as it is concerned at the end of this week, and promptly forward the fund collected to state headquarters. Persons who wish to be included in this free will offering to starving children, are therefore urged to send in their contributions at the earliest possible moment.

A large number of anonymous contributions are being received, and the finest spirit of disinterested generosity displayed by all. Tuesday a check for \$40.10 was received from a "Medford friend," and \$10 from "F. S.", which brings the total over the \$200 mark. This means saving the lives of 20 children,—which is something of which these contributors of Jackson county may well be proud.

The contributors' list, in addition to these already published follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes G. C. M., Four children, Gordon Voorhies, Jr., A Medford Friend, Leonard Carpenter, F. S., and Total \$218.10.

CHILD FEEDING FUND

Mail Tribune, Medford, Oregon.

Enclosed please find \$... as a contribution to Jackson County's quota for aid to the starving children of Europe, it being understood that the full amount be devoted to that purpose and forwarded to state headquarters.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

EACH TEN DOLLARS SAVES A CHILD'S LIFE

JUDGE FAVORS SPANKING FOR PAINTED GIRLS

ANACONDA, Mont., Jan. 12.—A spanking and enforced attendance at school would be the proper treatment for some of Anaconda's wayward girls, according to District Judge Geo. B. Winston. "I have seen some girls come before my court who ought to have been in school and who had so much paint on their faces that it was impossible to tell without questioning whether they were 14 or 16 years old," he said.

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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 (Twosome Herb Store) 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. F. 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 Heien, Eagle Point; Thos. E. Nicols, Eagle Point.

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