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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The legislature has before it a bill providing for the appointment of a Prohibition-Enforcement Officer at \$2000 per annum. It would be better to take the \$2000 and start a school to convince officers that there are other laws to be enforced besides the prohibition law.

"Hardin's Supporters Weaken." (Headline Portland Journal). The Presidential socks are coming down, hurry! Hurry!

UP TO EXPECTATIONS.

(Salem Capital Journal)

J. H. Baughman was 94 years of age last Thursday and many of his friends called upon the good old man to congratulate him. He is in good health and was in the best of spirits upon the occasion of his anniversary.

The railroads, like the farmer, are "being robbed," congress is told. Investigation will show that they are putting all the small freight in the middle of the box car.

Armies will march in Europe this spring, and in some places they are already marching. In Europe, the warlike spirit always gets the best of them, about the time to start the spring plowing.

PESTERING TEACHER

(Watkins Warbler)

The school teacher looks like a high water duck; with her gum boots. The school marm must like to cross bridges—from the selection of her boarding place.

While selling a mine on the Main Stem Tues., Mike Womack ran out of copper ore samples, and was forced to knock a piece of cement off a lamp post to complete his exhibit.

A most artistic balling out President Harding handed Lucy Page Gaston the Kansas lady of numerous years, who requested the chief executive to quit smoking. "It is a fine thing," wrote the distinguished citizen, "to save the young from tobacco, and particularly so, when efforts along that line are not mixed with hypocrisy." Lucy, like all reformers, is composed of 99 per cent hypocrisy, and one per cent self-advertisement.

There was a floorem meeting at the Nat. Tues. eve., largely attended and much enthusiasm was manifested.

A PEN RUNS AMUCK.

(Salem Statesman)

Starting out gloriously in a flare of golden sunlight the first of the week the legislature has run itself into "the hole" in a long life to a bitter end, coming to sudden halt in a grey drizzle of valley mist.

Some of the younger gals slap red lead on their lips, till it looks like a bum job of plumbing.

The tired bank clerks get two holidays next month, and a movement is on foot to close up Ground Hog Day, February 2, to make it an uneven number.

The Moose Afford kid is being showered with congratulations on the abatement of his goats.

It used to be the style to blame all crimes on tramps, but now they maintain the war atmosphere, and say it's an "ex-service man."

HERBS USED AS MEDICINES

A Manchester, England, paper urges the renewed cultivation of old-fashioned medicinal herbs in English gardens. In the United States they have also gone out of fashion as a feature of the small garden, although they are imported in large quantities from Turkey, India and China, where they are grown purely for commercial purposes, as their medicinal value is recognized by many leading physicians. Tons of medicinal herbs are used annually in the preparation of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a most successful medicine for woman's ills. It contains no narcotics or harmful drugs, and women afflicted with such ailments should try it.

WANTED—MORE PETER MacQUEENS.

THE DIFFICULTY with immigration restriction at the port of New York lies in the fact no machine has been invented to determine what is in an immigrant's heart and head. Poverty is no criterion. Thousands of penniless immigrants have come to this country and developed a citizenship of the highest type. On the other hand many immigrants have possessed the necessary cash, but with ideas stored away in their craniums, which have been destructive of every ideal for which America stands.

Until some method of determining the essential nature of the new arrival has been found, any system of immigration restriction is potential of almost as much harm as good. For Uncle Sam needs more raw material for citizenship. America is the world's melting pot, and its growth and greatness has depended very largely upon its capacity to transmute the raw material from foreign lands, into the highly tempered steel of an industrious and patriotic citizenship. The only difficulty has been, and is today,—the inability to determine when the raw material has the capacity of genuine Americanization, and when it has not.

Along this line we notice a communication in Harvey's Weekly from Peter MacQueen of Boston, described by Colonel Harvey as "a distinguished lecturer and author, and one of the ornaments of Who's Who." In describing his arrival in this country in 1881, Mr. MacQueen writes:

Now, I was poor, but intelligent enough to know, at the age of 17, that America was a better country than Scotland or any other land for a boy who wanted to work hard and make good; and expected to get only what he was worth.

I came to America with these ideas: (1) To be an American and live in a republic; (2) To get a better education than I could obtain in Scotland; (3) To render to America a life-time of loyalty and gratitude; and never to expect America to do anything for my native country. My idea was to have no divided allegiance. My adopted mother was to be a step-mother. I was not a Scottish-American; I was only an American, my best ambition to be "first at my country's feet and last in her service."

To this kind of immigrant I have found no scintilla of opposition in forty years. I have found the United States better than the America of my boyish dreams. It has been better to me than my mother's land. Of my native land I think justly with pride and admiration, with a feeling of sadness that she could not do for me what America very wholeheartedly has done. After twenty years in America I went back to Scotland. Bug on the old family hearthstone among the heather hills and put it down in my home in New England. But—I would have come to America to live even if I had been compelled to wait ten years. People of foreign birth in this great country should not expect from it any more than they are getting. They are usually getting many times more than they could ever have had in the lands that they left.

If America interfered to help every country from which she has drawn her virile blood, she would have to have an army, navy, and treasury in every country of Europe. It is a redundant absurdum and a dangerous hysteria to allow and encourage race groups in this country to be constantly pressing on the government at Washington the rights and wrongs of their people on the other side of the sea. From Cape Clear to the Volga, Europe is a sea of trouble and we have not off wherewith to calm the waves. You, Mr. Editor, are capable of putting these ideas into words that flame and burn. I should like to see you do it. PETER MacQUEEN, Boston, Mass.

In framing new immigration laws, the nearer congress can come to legislation that will restrict undesirables and still allow entrance into this country of as many poor Peter MacQueens, as possible, the nearer they will come to a proper solution of the modern immigration problem.

A GOOD APPOINTMENT.

THE APPOINTMENT of Will J. Warner as Postmaster of Medford will be generally welcomed by the people of this city. Mr. Warner has long been a conscientious and tireless worker in Uncle Sam's post office department, so his success comes not as a political appointment, but as a deserved promotion for efficient service.

Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason. Illustration of a man and a woman.

THE TRAMPS.

I SPEND my quiet days and hours where winter does no wintering, where in December gorgeous flowers the countryside are tinting. Here come the lads who have the price, to dodge the beastly weather of countries stocked with sleet and ice, and snowdrifts stuck together. Here also come the unwashed tramps; all day I see them drilling; and lots of them are wicked scamps who'd knife you for a shilling. They're passed along from town to town by wise and thoughtful coppers, who do not wish to carry down so many thieves and paupers. They're driven forth from Punktown's gates by stern official orders; that village wants no frowny skates within its moral borders. They're chived out of Mudville streets, the rural cops prevailing; that hamlet wants no bums and beats its atmosphere inhaling. This is the system that's in force wherever tramps may wander; and selfish seems such work and course—to shoos them there and yonder. And so the hoboes ply their boots, down all the roads they trickle; and some of them are calloused brutes who'd shoot you for a nickel. A trail of crime they're laying down, a record that's a beauty; and when we've shoos them from our town we think we've done our duty.

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Hudson Bay, Where Airmen Landed

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In coming to earth near Moose Factory, at the southernmost point of Hudson Bay, pilots of the United States naval balloon which recently was blown from New York City to the frozen north in relatively a few hours, stumbled on a country rich in the history and traditions of the picturesque old Hudson Bay Company," says a bulletin issued from the Washington, D. C. headquarters of the National Geographic Society.

"Henry Hudson—Hendrik Hudson to his Dutch employers—was responsible, strangely enough, for putting on the map both the starting and ending point of this recent chance balloon trip. In 1609 he anchored his famous 'Half Moon' close to the present location of New York's Goddess of Liberty, and the following year, still searching for the elusive Northwest Passage, he sailed into Hudson Bay and followed its eastern shore south to near the present Moose Factory.

The End of Hudson's Dream

"It was there in James Bay, the shallow southern arm of Hudson Bay, that Henry Hudson suffered the keenness of disappointment that can come only to the world's great dreamers. His dream was to find a passage to the 'South Sea,' and therefore a short cut to India. When he sailed into Hudson Bay and found that it was a great body

New President Of Switzerland

"Hudson Bay is one of the most characteristic features on the map of North America, standing out as strikingly as the Gulf of Mexico and covering almost as great an area. Though it falls far short of furnishing a passage to the 'South Sea' as the early explorers hoped, its westernmost coast is on the very center-line of the continent. Much of the surrounding territory of the bay is unexplored wilderness. This is especially true of the eastern coast toward Labrador.



Edmund Schulthess, new President of Switzerland. Previous to his election he was Vice-President.

May Become American Baltic

"On the west coast are Port Churchill, the bay's best port, and about a hundred miles to the south, Port Nelson. Both these ports are to be connected by railroads with Winnipeg and the wheat and cattle country to the west. Sailing vessels ply Hudson Bay between July 14 and October 1, and steamers for a slightly longer period. When the railroads increase the importance of the Hudson Bay ports it is believed that ice-crushing ships will make possible the shipping of cargoes between June 15 and November 1. By the Hudson Bay route Edmonton, Alberta, is 1000 miles nearer Liverpool than by the Montreal route.

Company Given Right to Make War

"The Company of Gentlemen Adventurers Trading to Hudson's Bay, which carved dominion for Great Britain across North America, established its first post near Moose Factory soon after King Charles II signed its charter in 1670 and blithely made its members 'true and absolute lords' of three-quarters of a continent, vested them with trading monopolies, rights to pass laws and impose punishments, and even gave them power to make war on non-Christian peoples. During the three and a half centuries since that time Moose Factory has remained one of the important posts of the Hudson Bay Company, gathering a rich harvest of furs. It was the scene of many raids and counter raids in the early days between the French and the Company's employees.

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