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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

"Hell's Kitchen," a notorious district of New York City has disappeared, and is no more, but there is well-grounded suspicion as to where it is now located.

It will be October 1st before the exact amount of money granted in the shipyards during the war will be known. The valiant souls who battled for a dollar a year for their country, got in a few letters for No. 1. A rhetorical president, in an oratorical outburst, once claimed them "as fighters in the front line trenches of democracy." The way the scandal is showing up they were high privates in the rear ranks of plutocracy.

Apoplexy broke out in the Nash mining district Wednesday p. m. A thoughtless citizen drove a wheelbarrow into the rocking chair workings.

WILY, ELMER!
 (Albany Democrat)
 Elmer Barr escorted Miss Shoemaker to Cascadia Sunday morning.

Perhaps added impetus is given the reform agitation for closing the movies on Sunday, by the hope that, besides producing wholesale aggravation, some of the money that goes through the ticket window will drop into the contribution box. All the brethren, who want to be auditors of finances, please arise and come forward.

The picaresque crusaders have at last saved the fish in Rogue River, but have the minnows in Bear Creek no rights?

Participants training for the annual gigging contest put in a busy half hour last eve., tee-heeing under the supervision of a high school gal.

"What Shall I Do to Be Shaved?"
 (Sermon Topic, Eugene Register).
 The first thing to do is to catch a barber, wherein all the tonsorial artists do not depart for dinner, when a customer shows up.

It was very kind of the weather commander to send the wind now, when there is nothing to blow off but hats.

Gov. Olcott's plea to save "the scenery of Oregon" is a divine inspiration if there ever was one. This commonwealth does not want its rugged mountain sides cluttered up with sawmills and other capitalistic industries. Nature should be left as the pioneers found it—undefiled. Besides the timber business may not desire to give up their tall hold on their undeveloped holdings.

"Our Annual Clearance Sale Will Be Held Feb. 1 to 15. Come early and get the early bargains and novelties."—(Ad Oregon City Enterprise). Right-o.

When lovely woman is on trial for the murder of a citizen, the testimony always shows that the fair defendant was an angel up to the time the fatal shot was fired.

Tendler Beats Jackson

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 27.—A crowd estimated at 7000 witnessed the bout last night between Lew Tendler and Willie Jackson, in which the former was given the newspaper decision. The gate receipts were \$30,125, it was announced. Of this amount, Jackson received \$10,000 while Tendler's share was slightly more.

Belgian Steamer Safe

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—The Belgian steamer Cannonier, believed yesterday to be the ship from which S. O. S. distress calls were received, is safe, and today was about thirty miles east of Ambrose lightship.

A Woman's Recommendation

Mrs. D. T. Tryor, Franklin Av., Otsego, O., writes: "Nine years ago I was very much afflicted with kidney trouble. I bought different kinds of medicine, but all to no effect, until one day I bought a box of Foley Kidney Pills. I realized so great a benefit from the use of that box that I feel safe in recommending Foley Kidney Pills to any kidney sufferers." They relieve backache, sore muscles, rheumatic pains and bladder ailments. Sold everywhere.

HIGHER SALARIES WON'T GUARANTEE EFFICIENCY, BUT EFFICIENCY IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT THEM

A CHEAP man is an expensive luxury. This fact is generally recognized in private business. That is why the big business man pays good salaries. Not because he likes to increase his payroll, but because he knows that ability demands a high market price, and that ability pays.

It is the exact reverse in public business. Public officials are almost invariably underpaid. As a result the best business ability is not attracted to the public service, and consequently conspicuous ability in official life, is the exception rather than the rule.

There is a movement on foot to raise the salaries of local county officials. The chief argument for this increase is that by raising the salaries the county will secure more efficient service.

No one questions that more efficient service is needed. In the past year the people of Jackson county have been given a costly demonstration of the high cost of inefficiency. Undoubtedly if the methods of a well-conducted private business in the county had been followed at the county seat, the tax payers would have saved thousands of dollars.

But will the proposed increase in salaries produce the desired efficiency? Unfortunately no. No salary increase that is possible, under the present system, will automatically replace inefficient officials with efficient ones.

Under the present salary system there has been efficiency in Jacksonville and there has been inefficiency. With the proposed increase the same condition will prevail. Under our present system the public service will never be attractive as a money making proposition, for the people will not pay salaries that can compete with the salaries paid in private business.

Then what is to be done? Leave the salaries where they are, and allow matters to drift along as they have drifted? We think not. In this problem as in most others, there is a common sense mean, between the extremes. This mean is to pay every public official a fair living wage, and then depend upon the force of public opinion to secure that service to which the public is entitled.

In other words, raise those salaries which render it impossible for a competent person to hold the office. In our opinion there are two salaries which fall in this category now. One is the salary of \$1200 a year for the county treasurer and another is the salary of \$1500 for the county assessor. No man or woman, competent to fill the office, can afford to take the place of county treasurer for \$100 per month. The minimum should not be less than \$150 per month.

The county assessor holds one of the most important positions in the county service. The position requires experience, knowledge and sound business judgment. The assessor is now paid \$1500. This is an impossible pittance, \$2500 would not be too much, certainly \$2000 is an irreducible minimum.

These increases should be made. Not under the delusion that such increases will guarantee efficiency in the future, but because, without such increase, sustained efficiency will be impossible.

How Much Do You Know?

- 1—What causes bees to swarm?
 - 2—Where is Bedloe's Island?
 - 3—What is Jute?
 - 4—When and by whom was the gullotine introduced?
 - 5—Why was the Pacific ocean so called?
 - 6—How many spinal nerves are there?
 - 7—Does the eye itself do the seeing?
 - 8—From what is linseed oil made?
 - 9—In what city have nails been manufactured for 300 years?
 - 10—When was the first paper mill built in United States?
- Answers to Yesterday's Questions**
- 1—What river only 220 miles long is thought to have as large traffic as any river in the world? Ans. The Thames in England.
 - 2—In what battle were modern arms first used? Ans. Modern arms were first used in the battle of Pavla in 1525.
 - 3—What is a "Wall Street Bank"? Ans. Wall street banks are situated in the financial center of New York and are so called because bankers and brokers desiring to borrow money usually apply to them.
 - 4—How much paper money is in circulation now? Ans. Latest reports show that there is \$5,067,930,485 of paper money in circulation.
 - 5—When was the first cable laid? Ans. The first Atlantic cable was laid in 1866 by Cyrus W. Field. Its first message was the news that a treaty had been signed by Prussia and Austria.
 - 6—What were the "Blue Laws"? Ans. A name sometimes given to the early laws of New England, especially the New Haven colony.
 - 7—Who was the founder of the democratic party? Ans. Thomas Jefferson.
 - 8—What is a pontoon bridge? Ans. It is a number of boats connected together and stretched across a river or lake to furnish a temporary bridge for the passage of an army.
 - 9—Who were the "uhlans"? Ans. They were the light cavalry of the Tartars. In the German army all light cavalry was called uhlans.
 - 10—Will an octopus attack human beings? Ans. They are naturally timid and have never been known to attack human beings. The lurid description of the devilfish in Victor Hugo's "Toilers of the Sea" is a creation of the fancy.

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The Medford National Farm Loan Association
 OF MEDFORD, OREGON
 CONDENSED STATEMENT
 Funds handled by Secretary-Treasurer from organization, June 18, 1917, to January 8, 1921.

RECEIVED	PAID OUT
Proceeds of loans, amortization payments, abstract and recording charges collected \$32,423.75	Proceeds of loans, amortization payments, abstracts, recording paid for borrowers, \$32,423.75
General funds, for appraisals, association expense, for cost of loans for borrowers, assessments, 2,592.28	General funds, for appraisals, association expense for cost of loans for borrowers, 2,479.19
From interest, 17.96	Advances for members, amortization acct., 45.67
From dividends, 1,187.59	For expense of loans, 2.30
	Farm loan bonds, 225.00
	Legal reserve F. L. bonds, 125.00
	Cash on hand, 921.77
Total, \$36,222.58	Total, \$36,222.58

ASSETS	LIABILITIES
Cash, 921.77	Capital stock (owned by borrowers in association), \$15,292.50
Stock in Federal Land Bank (owned by association), 15,292.50	Legal Reserve, 125.00
Accounts receivable, 47.87	Surplus, 1,194.64
Farm loan bonds, 350.00	
Total, \$16,612.14	Total, \$16,612.14

Total number of members, 89; total number of loans, 60; total amount of loans, \$305,850.00, as shown by the records of the association at the close of business January 8, 1921, certified to by the secretary-treasurer, E. H. HURD, Examined and certified to by G. A. Z. Harris, National Farm Loan Association Examiner, January 8, 1921.

Rippling Rhymes
 by Walt Mason
MIDWINTER SORROW.

A LAS, there's trouble everywhere, according to the daily news, and countless cupboards now are bare of pumpkin pies and oyster stews, and children wail and tear their hair because they haven't any shoes. And we might preach to those who lack the pies that human critters need, reminding them how, some months back they cut a gorgeous swath, indeed, and how we urged them then to pack in brine the kopeck and the seed. But preaching is an empty graft when human innards madly ache; there always is a mighty raft of sermons when the kids call for cake, when poor folks long to sit abaft a large and luscious sirloin steak. And so we'll brighten up the lives of those who walk knee deep in woe, and stake the poor gents and their wives from our abundant stack of dough; the Christmas spirit still survives in all of us, we'd have you know. We'll spring our platitudes when next prosperity around is seen, when workmen are not perplexed by absence of the good long green; a pie is better than a text when meals are few and far between.

CHILD FEEDING FUND NEARS \$1200 MARK

The Child Feeding Fund is progressing slowly, but surely toward the \$1200 mark, the following new subscriptions being received and herewith acknowledged with thanks:

Previously reported, \$1139.35	
T. E. D., 10.00	
Mabel B. Clark, 10.00	
Total, \$1199.35	

Mrs. W. A. Moffet, 10.00	
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