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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry

John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the treasury says the country's finances are "the strongest in years." The country's finances are all right until the bonus for ex-service men is under discussion.

ADDITIONAL REVENUE (Oregon City Enterprise) A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Revenue on Friday, Jan. 28. Mrs. Revenue was formerly Joelle Haworth.

Mr. Wig Ashpole escorted a bull to the slaughter house Mon. The beautiful ring ceremony of the butchers was used.

The state legislature performed herculean services Monday. They defeated the Kay bill, and thereby saved Minnie Turnbull's job.

It is sincerely hoped that the oil wells and one of Mike Womack's gold mines don't come in the same day.

Young men are urged by the Baptist church to have nothing at all to do with young ladies who wear silk socks, short skirts, yank hairs out of their eyebrows, paint their lips, and shimmy. The way the young men treat young ladies thus addicted, is something awful.

Next week is Prune Week, and restaurants are urged to buy them by the carload. A good beanery chef can get a gallon of juice out of one prune.

Nothing will stop the rain epidemic, but the announcement that all irrigation work in the valley has been stopped indefinitely.

Citizens who balk at paying a tax on their dog, should remember that the dog will stick with them, like they hang onto a dollar.

President Wilson has written the first chapter of his book. It deals with his cabinet, and should be entitled: How to Select a Rubberstamp.

"Wanted—First class pants operator. Phone 437-J."—(Want Ad Oregonian.)

There is still considerable doubt in the minds of a number of autoists that the cowcatcher of a northbound freight will have the same effect on a motor vehicle as on a cow, when violent contact is made.

One notes in the paper that a movie queen, who has been captivated by at least seven former residents of this valley, now interned in So. Cal., had her salary necked to the tune of \$10,000 last week.

The congressional committee that will investigate the escape of Slacker Bergdoll, might also get the inside dope on how Henry Ford's kid missed the draft law by a whisker.

Thank the Lord, the spiritual welfare of the nation is redeemed. The St. Louis prohibition forces report the capture of a man 70 years old. The aged outlaw had a pint of whiskey.

There is one thing to be said for the Jap. He never gets on a soapbox, and howls against the constitution, or raises whiskers.

The simple announcement in this col. three days ago that a promising counterjumper was going to commit matrimony, reveals that there are nine others in the same agony.

Wants to Help Other Mothers Mrs. Wm. Sager, 901 Nichol St., Utica, N. Y.: "I gladly write anything that helps a mother with her children. My little girl had whooping cough and I was afraid she would choke. I gave her Foley's Honey and Tar and it helped her wonderfully. She could sleep most all night without coughing." This good cough syrup checks colds, stops coughing, cuts phlegm and covers raw, inflamed membranes with a healing coating. Sold everywhere. Adv. 74

WHEN A KNOCK IS A BOOST.

LINCOLN STEFFENS must be laughing in his sleeve. The hullo raised by Mayor Baker and the Portland Oregonian, opposing his speech on the soviet government, was worth a thousand dollars in advertising.

Steffens has been speaking, more or less, all over the country, and as far as reported there has been no excitement. At least, Denver, Colorado, suffered the devastation of his words and at last reports had not gone bolshevik. His audiences have been neither large nor enthusiastic. He might have gone on speaking for months, without stirring public interest to the ripling point.

But Portland,—dear old Portland,—jumps into the breach and by refusing Steffens the right to speak, promptly advertises his tour all over the country and increases his effectiveness at least a hundred fold. Thousands of people who have no interest in soviet Russia, but considerable in the right of free speech, will go to hear him now. Thousands of others will read his speech, because their curiosity will have been aroused. If Steffens has something to say about the bolshevik so seductive that an American city of metropolitan proportions dare not listen, then it must be worth reading.

Fortunately or unfortunately, that is the inevitable reaction upon the popular mind. Curiosity may have killed a cat, but it has put life into more oratorical "dead ones," than any amount of fire works and friendly propaganda. Being an old newspaper man, Steffens must appreciate this. And he will probably be quick to profit by it.

The way to kill off Steffens,—assuming it is desirable he should be killed off,—is to let him talk. Unless he has changed in the last ten years, like most writers, he is a poor speaker. And the best way to combat the bolshevik propaganda, is to inform the people of conditions in Russia, not clamp down the lid and allow the imagination of general discontent to ferment.

We don't know what Steffens has the say about Russia. But we know if he tells the truth, he will make no soviet converts in this neck of the woods. And if he doesn't tell the truth, the best way to repudiate him is to call him a liar, and bring in the facts to condemn him.

But for the love of common sense don't refuse him audience, don't advertise him—don't allow him the pose of a martyr. That allows him an influence he could secure in no other way.



NIGHTS AT HOME.

I ALWAYS spend my nights at home, remote from strife and care; a pillow soft supports my dome, my feet rest on a chair; and so I read some gripping pome or volume ripe and rare. My aunts and grandmas play some tunes, or blithely sew and knit, while merry children, full of prunes, throw many a gladsome fit, till hullybys their mother croons—and so the calm hours flit. And when the morning comes I read how men who roamed by night fell victims to the auto's speed, were shot up in a fight, or touched for all their chicken feed by some unholy wight. I read of kidnapped maidens fair, and parents in distress, of youths who lose, in White Way glare, the number of their mess, of misdeeds in the gamblers' lair, and crimes no man dare guess. I say, if those who gallivant, would spend their nights at home, with grandma, niece and maiden aunt, and read some helpful tome, the crime of which the peelers rant would disappear like foam. I'd rather be with bards who think than with the men who prance to places where the glasses clink, and there are games of chance; a book is better than a drink, or than a tango dance. And when at dawn I leave my bed I caper and I sing, no hold-up with a bar of lead, has spoiled my lboard wing, I do not have to stitch my head, or wear it in a sling.

MAN O' WAR, WORLD'S CHAMPION RACE HORSE HAS EVERY LUXURY OF ROYALTY LAVISHED UPON HIM

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb.—Every luxury lavished on royalty is to be the portion of Man O' War, world champion thoroughbred at Hinanta farm, near here where he has just been retired to the stud. A private groom, private feed tubs, a private pasture, where he is allowed to run loose, these are some of the things that are being provided by his owner, Samuel D. Riddle of Philadelphia and Miss Elizabeth Daingerfield, noted woman breeder of thoroughbreds, under whose care he has been placed. Animals such as Man O' War are not allowed to do the many things their plebeian brothers and sisters do that might expose them to danger. When the famous racer left the farm at Berlin, Maryland, where he was stabled after his return from his triumph over Sir Barton at Windsor, he was placed in a padded automobile van and hauled to the express car. On his arrival in Lexington, he was unloaded into another van and taken to the Kentucky Jockey club race track for exhibition to admiring thousands of Kentuckians. When he was taken from the track to Hinanta farm, a distance of six miles, he was again placed in a van and hauled over the smooth highway to the farm. There he was unloaded and placed in a stall specially prepared for him, with the companion of all his travels, Major Treat, the old stepple chase racer, on one side and Golden Broom, Mrs. Walter M. Jefford's four-year old stallion on the other. For Man O' War loves equine company and he is to be kept satisfied by having his chum with him, as well as another high bred animal. Although Miss Daingerfield, whose reputation as a breeder of race horses is second to none, has said that "A horse is a horse and Man O' War will just have a stable," she told the representative of the Associated Press that she had remodeled a barn on the farm for him. The box stalls prepared for Man O' War and Golden Broom are large and roomy, giving them plenty of room in which to turn and lie down at will. Feed tubs for Man O' War have been specially built by a Lexington tinsmith, special precautions being taken to see that the famous racer cannot injure himself. The stalls in the barn are much like those in the barn of any thoroughbred breeding farm, but through and about the bedding at all hours of the night a watchman makes his way to see that no harm befalls any of the racers. In a house nearby will live Frank Loftus, the man who always has cared for Man O' War, since his baby days on August Belmont's "Nursery Stud," six miles from Lexington on the Georgetown pike, and where his dam, Mahubah and his sire, Fair Play still are stabled. Loftus will stay with the famous horse, caring for him by day and on call at any time that his services may be needed. "Man O' War is a well behaved animal and no extra precautions have been taken in his stall to prevent his injuring himself," said Miss Daingerfield. "We have made no very unusual preparations for him. I have had a stable remodeled with three stalls, one for Man O' War, one for Golden Broom, Mrs. Jefford's stallion and a smaller one for Major Treat. Man O' War's companion, I have prepared a small house nearby for Frank Loftus, his groom, to live in. The regular nightwatchman of the farm will be on duty during the hours, when the grooms and caretakers are not present. The books for Man O' War and Golden Broom have not been prepared and I do not know to what mares he will be bred, but the plan is to breed him to about fifteen this season.

REDUCTION OF ARMAMENTS PRINCIPAL TOPIC AT NEXT MEETING LEAGUE OF NATIONS

NEW YORK.—Twelve important coggs in the machinery of the League of Nations, many of which are to be set in motion when the council of the league convenes in Geneva, Switzerland, February 21, and the problems which await their action, are defined in a forecast of the work of the league which has just been received here. Arthur Sweetser, an officer of the American commission to the peace conference at Versailles and now attached to the League of Nations' secretariat staff, is the author of the forecast. He says the twelve coggs are really special commissions, the personnel of which will in some cases be designated by the council at its forthcoming meeting.

The subjects that will be handled by the commissions are enumerated by Mr. Sweetser as follows: Reduction of Armaments Technical examination into the present condition of world armaments, now under way by the permanent military, naval and air commission of the league will be completed. In addition a temporary commission of experts in the political, social and economic world will be asked to submit plans for a reduction of armaments. The aim of this commission will be to get members of the league to agree not to exceed their present scale of armaments, to agree to a proportionate and simultaneous reduction in military budgets and to accept the principle of scientific and comprehensive reduction of armaments to the least figure compatible with national security.

Investigation of the private manufacture of munitions and war material, denounced as "a source of danger to the world thru an extended sale thruout the less civilized areas in Asia and Africa" will be undertaken. Permanent Court of International Justice Nominations of 11 judges, chosen for a period of nine years, are to be made next summer and the selections announced at the second assembly to be held in September next. The list of candidates will be prepared mainly by the Hague court of arbitral justice and all nominees will be voted upon separately by the assembly and the council. So far 22 nations, including Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan, have signed the protocol providing for the court whose adoption by a unanimous vote of the assembly is held to be the greatest single advance the League of Nations has yet registered in international relations. Two important problems which had to be decided before the court begins to convene were, first, should the court have the power of compulsory adjudication? And, second, should it be organized by resolution of the assembly or submitted to ratification by individual nations? These questions were decided by the assembly providing that those nations so desiring may accept the principle of compulsory adjudication and that the organization of the court should be subject to ratification of individual nations. Action for or against the court will be taken in a number of parliaments which meet this year.

Mandates An international commission of nine members from non-mandatory powers, is to be appointed by the council in accordance with an agreement reached on November 29. The question of mandates for the 12,000,000 or more people of the Pacific Islands, South Africa, Turkey and Kiao-Chow, freed from Germany and Turkey during the war, opens one of the least advanced of all the league's problems. Tentative drafts have been proposed by the allied powers so that the league is now in possession of the terms of all prospective mandates. These will be analyzed and, where necessary, possible changes recommended.

International Economics and Finance A permanent, centralizing, economic and financial organization is to be formed within the league by the appointment of an advisory, economic and financial committee, the membership of which will be composed of leading world financiers and economists. This committee in a sense will be the successor of the supreme economic council. It grew out of the Brussels international conference and will be charged with the duty of considering the immediate application of that body's recommendations. Other subjects to be dealt with by commissions are proposed amendments to the covenant of the league, registration and publication of treaties between member nations, methods of applying the international economic blockade and means of providing funds for the secretariat and auditing its accounts.

Other commissions or organizations will take up methods of improving means of communication and transportation in Europe and coordination of international health organizations in combatting epidemics. Under the head of humanitarian work come such subjects as the Armenian massacres and the white slave and opium traffics which are to be handled by the cooperation of several or all governments in the league. The United States, Spain and Brazil, at the council's invitation, have agreed to use their influence to end the Armenian horrors and the allied powers, through their representatives at Constantinople, are now ascertaining the best methods of approach. Fifteen nations, including Canada, Persia, Siam, Austria, Bulgaria and Germany are giving financial aid to combat typhus which has been raging in eastern Europe more than a year. An international conference on the white slave traffic is to be held this summer. A commission of three qualified residents of Armenia and Asia Minor, one of them a woman, is to be appointed by the council to report on the traffic in women and children in that part of the world.

Suppression of the trade in opium and other narcotic drugs, especially in China, is to be undertaken by an advisory committee added by experts from all the countries involved. The Netherlands' government which, heretofore has taken the lead in the suppression of the opium trade by cooperative action, has turned the whole problem over to the league. In conclusion, Mr. Sweetser declared that "the months between now and September are going to be full of very careful and detailed study of every phase of league interest. "The league," he asserts, "is going ahead with greater intensity than ever."

Advertisement for Jackson County Bank featuring an illustration of a woman holding a 'BANK BOOK' and the text 'Give her a Bank Book for a Valentine'. The ad promotes the bank's services, including a 'FREE TUBE' offer with vacuum cup tires, and lists the address as 124 So. Fir St., Medford, Oregon.

Advertisement for The Busy Corner Motor Co. featuring the text 'Free Tubes' and 'The Best Tire at the Right Price—Plus the Free Tube'. The ad states that the company carries a FREE TUBE offer with each casing during the month of February and is located at 116 N. Central.

Advertisement for PIERCE REPAIR SHOP, specializing in Phonograph and Electrical Repairs. The ad lists the proprietor as L. BRYAN PIERCE and the address as 116 N. Central, "The Glass House".

Advertisement for THE PERL FUNERAL HOME, offering sympathetic service rendered in a quiet dignified manner. The ad lists the address as one block west of Postoffice.

Advertisement for Fisher Flouring Mill Company's QUALITY FEEDS. The ad lists various feed products and their prices, such as Scratch Food at \$3.50 per 100-pound sack, and provides contact information for the company at 445 So. Fir St.

Advertisement for Chamberlain's Tablets, featuring an illustration of a woman and the text 'Better than Pills'. The ad claims that the tablets are easier and more pleasant to take than pills and are guaranteed by a druggist.

Advertisement for Kill That Cold With HILL'S CASCARA QUININE BROMIDE. The ad describes the medicine as a standard remedy for colds, coughs, and influenza, and notes that it is sold by all druggists.

Advertisement for MOTHER'S FRIEND, a product for expectant mothers. The ad states it is used by three generations and is sold by the Associated Press.