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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Nothing retards human activity like the flu, which is misnamed, and should be called the roost, on account of its lingering propensities. Once in a human system, it flits from heel to head and WRY points, with wild abandon, and is harder to corner than a generally known bootlegger.

Messrs George Creel and Nooty Baker have been selected by Woodrow Wilson to write the history of his administrations. Now there is a couple of historians for you, and typical Wilsonian selections.

What is so pathetic as a woman of 40 years, trying to hide the march of time, behind a knee high skirt.

IS THERE SUCH?

(Marshfield News) Wanted—A gentle mule for mine work; not over 14 hands; state price. Address James H. Flannagan, Marshfield, Ore.

The Jr. sen. will fool around with his fussing over the distribution of federal pie, until the sr. sen. names the postmaster at Stanfield, Ore. The only prerogative left him will be the right to send pumpkins to constituents.

Revelations in Utah, showing how citizens switched wives, demonstrates that the anti-cigarette law, now in full force and effect, was just what they needed.

The hallucination that a modern tourist hotel will be built at Crater Lake by Portland capital continues to exist.

A HEART MONOPOLIST.

(Eugene Register) "Dear Miss Page—There is a young man in our town whom we greatly admire. There is a continual dispute among us which one he likes best, as he treats us all the same. He is very popular both because of his good looks and beautiful voice. Please tell us how to find out which one of us he likes best.—Four Unhappy Girls."

Spring is here, and Mica Womack will spring a new mine a day on the world.

Just before a lawyer says something mean about another lawyer, he employs flattery to soften the blow. For instance, the attorney for the defense will say of the attorney for the plaintiff to the jury: "The learned and skillful counsel for the plaintiff tells you gentlemen, that he wants to be fair, but why, like a thief in the night, did he steal my client's hat, causing him to miss his dinner, and his wife to file suit for divorce. Is being a sneak being fair, I ask you, gentlemen of the jury."

In the divorce suit of James Sullivan his \$350,000 yacht plays a role. It was named "Modesty." A more appropriate name would have been "Ornery."

If it rains tomorrow, the esteemed weatherman figures he will be able to reach the Mexican border by sundown.

In another month all 4d owners in the East will start West and 1d owners in the West will start East, equipped with \$14, three blankets and a frying pan. Huncey wrinkles will be removed at kitchens of relatives en route.

Germany reports she has gone bolshevik. If such is the case, the rest of the world should see to it, whatever the cost, that she stays with it till cured.

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BRAINS VERSUS FAITH.

H. G. WELLS has a cure for the world's ills. In the current Saturday Evening Post, he presents the first installment, originally designed as a lecture to American audiences, but recently abandoned because of serious illness.

In brief Mr. Wells proposes a United States of Europe, as the only hope of saving European civilization. Recently returned from a visit to Russia, reinforced by flying trips through Germany, Finland, and the Scandinavian countries, the well known British author, paints a disheartening picture of the social and economic collapse.

The return of Europe to health and stability, in the writer's opinion, is impossible, before the obstacles presented by national barriers are removed. Transportation, the free and unrestricted circulation of food, he declares to be the necessary foundation of recovery, and until the various states of Europe join in a union similar to the union effected at the beginning of the Nineteenth century by the American states, this will be impossible.

Mr. Wells has a well established reputation as a prophet. He undoubtedly possesses one of the keenest minds in Europe. Nearly all of his pre-war prophecies from airplane warfare to social reactions have been fulfilled. Therefore, whatever he says, enjoys a background of high personal prestige, which commands serious consideration at the outset.

Unfortunately, however, Mr. Wells thus far has offered no practical plan for achieving what he declares is essential. With the allies occupying Germany, with Greece at war with Turkey, with eastern Europe a veritable hornet's nest of racial antagonisms, national hatreds and prejudices, to suggest a workable constitution for a United States of Europe, appears at this distance to be a most absurd figment of an overworked imagination.

Perhaps subsequent installments will throw some light on the modus operandi. Until then the only conclusion for the reader, who accepts Mr. Wells' premises is that Europe is doomed. The future, even to a casual observer, does look dark, but the thought intrudes that perhaps even greater forces than Mr. Wells discerns are at work. At any rate, this is Easter week. A greater miracle is being commemorated than is required to bring new life to a civilization that seems to be dying. Mr. Wells is strong on brains, perhaps he is weak on faith. We hope so.



Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason

A NEW DEAL.

THE new administration administers in style, and all the busy nation hangs out a hopeful smile. Upon our jaded shoulders the burden lighter seems, and only office holders are dreaming mournful dreams. We're great on swapping horses if there's a trade in view, and everyone indorses whatever may be new. We like to see new faces around us, we confess, although great charms and graces the old ones may possess. New whiskers are supplanting the beards we long have seen, new feet are gallivanting, new brooms are sweeping clean. And we distribute folders to tell how glad we are, and only office holders are looking black as tar. It's good no king is reigning in this star spangled land, or we'd all be complaining until we saw him canned; he'd find us growing cooler, he'd hear us kick and euss; five years of any ruler is quite enough for us. We're fond of making changes, and old things are a bore; whatever new and strange is, we welcome at the door; we have no bricks or boulders at any unknown guest; and only office holders seem weary and distressed.

How Much Do You Know?

- 1—How long is a passport valid?
2—Who ex-communicated Henry Eighth?
3—When did Napoleon conquer Italy?
4—Did the Crusaders aid or check the power of the Turks?
5—What is meant when it is said that a figure is in "bas-relief"?
6—When were public schools first established in America?
7—Why was the Battle of Manila a remarkable fight?
8—How many stars are there in the Big Dipper?
9—What bears do not hibernate in the winter?
10—When was the revised version of the Bible brought out?
Answers to Yesterday's Questions.

- 1—How many National cemeteries are there in the United States? Ans.—There are eighty-three National cemeteries in this country. They contain 378,959 bodies.
2—How many disputes between nations have been settled by the permanent court of arbitration of the Hague? Ans.—Fifteen cases have been settled and two are pending.
3—What year of the independence of the United States begins July 4, 1921? Ans.—The one-hundred and forty-sixth year.
4—What are "Ember" days and how many of them are there each year? Ans.—"Ember" days are days of prayer and fasting. There are twelve "Ember" days each year.
5—What is the color of the Forget-me-not? Ans.—It is blue.
6—What are the most noted cases of impeachment? Ans.—Those of Judge Samuel Chase in 1804; President Johnson in 1868 in the United States and that of Warren Hastings in England.
7—What sort of flowers are "Everlasting" flowers? Ans.—They are a kind of flower that does not change color or appearance after drying. They are made into wreaths by the French and placed on graves. They are called "Immortelles."
8—How much rubber can be made from one gallon of rubber juice? Ans.—One gallon of rubber juice makes two pounds of rubber.
9—When was knighthood established in England? Ans. Knighthood was established in England as a

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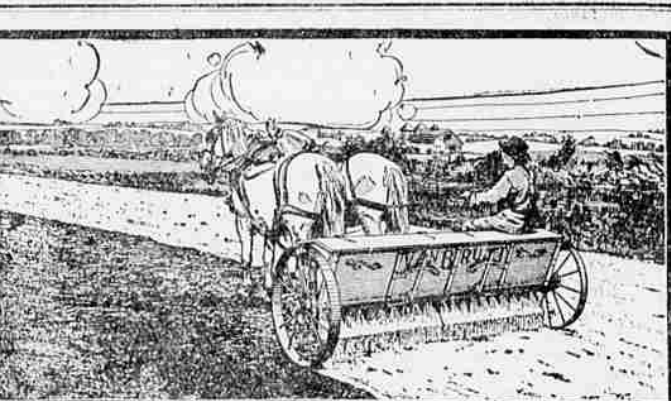
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