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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry.

Santa Claus holds forth tonight, for that portion of humanity too young to go to country dances, lick up moonshine, or run for office under the Oregon System.

VAGABOND SOCIETY (Bray News) Mat Kohn and little son, former residents of Bray, came down from Klamath Falls last Sunday and called on old friends between trains.

It was nice of the president to pardon Eugene V Debs. He is the only hellraiser of any prominence not born in Europe, and when a young man, actually did some work.

Dull winter is here, and causing untold suffering. The roads are so bad autoists will have to stay home Sunday.

Senators to Be Given Time to Become Familiar With Bill—(Corvallis Gazette-Times). Bill who?

Another car driver is in the morgue, owing to the belief that he could knock a 40 ton locomotive off two steel rails with the family 4d.

Some of the Galsheviki, who are bound to be in style if it kills them, have knees of Crater Lake blue.

CHILD LABOR HALTED (Albany Democrat) She cannot leave her infant to work and is being cared for by the Red Cross.

Careless Americans who got some portion of their anatomy in the road of a bullet in France, better start for Russia. Congress has been informed that it will only take \$100,000,000 more to feed the empty Russians, and, inasmuch as hysterical solicitude for every body but America is still rampant, they will get it.

A scandal is being heard in the Portland courts, and, as the complaining witness, a divorcee, left her pistol on the piano, the papers are publishing the account of the trial on the page that tells the world the price of pig iron in reoria.

Gas has been discovered in all the oil wells of the valley, and ink unexpectedly erupted from a Yuletide fountain pen this am.

Arrangements for a Jack Dempsey-Harry Willis fight are underway, and there is nothing for the "cullid gemmen" to do but to catch him.

PATIENCE IS REWARDED (Yreka Journal) The rain is coming down lively as we go to press, and came down copiously during the whole of Monday night. We have been waiting patiently for some time to catch this item for the Journal.

The final gasps of Tumulty's articles, written, the world is told behind the back of Woodrow Wilson, are heartrending. The author nearly puts the angel wings on himself, instead of his subject.

The Beef Trust dividends for 1921 are 8 per cent higher than last year. This shows what a few good wallpoms from a fighter like Ed Binns will do to a greedy corporation. Mr. Binns is 33.3 per cent of the way through his 70 years war with said interests.

LEST WE FORGET

OREGON today has only half the representation she should have in the United States senate. Every citizen who has been to Washington, returns with the same report.

Fortunately Senator McNary has the standing at Washington, and the native capacity to carry a double load successfully. But the fact remains, that the absence of a team-mate of equal influence, is a handicap to the senator, and a handicap to the state.

Senator Stanfield was elected fairly, and we have no disposition to make his task more difficult, than it must necessarily be. He may yet develop into a representative of value and importance.

Nevertheless it is desirable in the interest of better government to call attention to the present situation, so that a similar mistake in the future may be avoided.

As we predicted it will be many years before Senator Stanfield will be as useful to the state of Oregon as Senator Chamberlain would have been. The plea of party regularity had no validity a year ago, it has no validity today.

Parties are necessary. We have no quarrel with the politician who has to be a party man. But the independent citizen, man or woman, doesn't have to be.

The only hope for better government, nationally or locally, is a determination on the part of the people as a whole, not to be hoodwinked by this cuckoo cry of "Vote the ticket straight."

When the election of one man would obviously promote the public welfare, and the election of another obviously wouldn't, vote for the former, regardless of whether he wears one party label or another.

This need not be done in any spirit of party revolt, but merely because, in the last analysis, it is simply a matter of enlightened self-interest. When no great outstanding issues separate the parties, the rule to vote for the most efficient man, regardless of party, is the best possible rule to follow.

Quill Points

Concerning the arms parley, dope springs eternal in the human press.

The present tense of the war spirit is Mars. The past tense is marred.

Wood says the Filipino is not yet capable of self-government. Well, who is?

Foeh didn't understand the college yells. And this appears to make it unanimous.

Still, is it fair to tax railroads to keep up highways for competing motor trucks?

An auto-biography would begin: "I can remember when I was a chunk of tin ore."

And so China is to operate her own postal system. We didn't know she had any marines.

Some men leave their finger prints with the police, and some leave them on the books you lend.

There is little hope, however, that we will get the boys off the park benches by Christmas.

Don't grieve about the wife's toil-roughened hands. Buy her a can opener that has a padded handle.

You can't fool all the people all the time, but you can fool a majority, and that's what makes Congress.

You can't hold a girl's hand when she is driving. For that matter, it is equally difficult to hold her back.

If ever we go to war for China, some patriot will make himself immortal by declaring: "Wing Lung Fu, we are here."

Personally, we don't think much of a patriot who cheers the boys going out to fight and kicks about paying the bill.

Now that France has invented a flying automobile, the pedestrian will need to watch in five directions.

God is good to paragaphers. When skirts and the Bolshies and George Harvey become tiresome, there's always Ford.

An admirer says Bernard Shaw is always wrapped in thought. Well, thoughts like his provide sufficient warmth without any other wrap.



CHRISTMAS TIME

A GAIN the Christmas season brings gladness to the land, and he is fit for treason whose soul does not expand; who does not feel like rising to altitudes surprising and loudly advertising his joy, to beat the band. Old Santa Claus is freighting the presents on his sleigh, and little kids are waiting the dawn of Christmas day; and though my years are eighty, and I have burdens weighty, I'd think myself cheap-skatey if I could not be gay.

SAP AND SALT BY Bert Moses. Ignorance is what makes the love game so alluring. Tin cans seem to be the high sign of civilization. The only things in the world that do not change are jokes. Good things come by stage coach; troubles arrive by limited express. It takes money to travel, but it costs just about as much to stay home. When a man sees nothing but faults in a horse he is getting ready to offer a low price for it. HEZ HECK SAYS: "When a feller is 51% good, his average is about all you kirt expect."

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

- 1. For what purpose was rubber first made? 2. What shape are honeycomb cells? 3. Is alligator flesh fit to eat? 4. What is the life of an ordinary dollar bill? 5. How fast can an ostrich run at full speed? 6. How many patents have been issued on bicycles? 7. What are the seven natural wonders of the United States? 8. How many unknown soldier dead are there in Europe? 9. What proportion of firms that fail do not advertise? 10. When was the Knights of Columbus organized? Answers to Yesterday's Questions: 1. What was the original name of Petrograd, Russia? Ans. St. Petersburg. 2. What city is the capital of Minnesota? Ans. St. Paul. 3. What is the diameter of Jupiter, the largest planet? Ans. 84,576 miles. 4. What is the national flower emblem of Canada? Ans. The Maple leaf. 5. What state is known as "Old Dominion"? Ans. Virginia. 6. What river forms a natural boundary between Washington and Oregon? Ans. Columbia river. 7. What is a chizzard? Ans. It is a period of one thousand years. 8. How many states are washed by Lake Erie? Ans. Four. 9. Who was president during the war of 1812? Ans. Madison. 10. Is Denver, Colo., a more western city than El Paso, Tex.? Ans. No.



At the Rialto The flapper has come to stay, both in literature and in the drama. The flapper may be unsophisticated and highly emotional, but there's this about her—she gets things accomplished. One of the most amusing flappers who ever graced a comedy was Jerry, girl heroine of a stage play by that name, in which Billie Burke starred. Now it has been screened, under the title "Don't Call Me Little Girl," and comes to the Rialto theatre tomorrow on the Christmas bill for a three days run, with Mary Miles Minter as the youthful heroine who tangles with destiny and qualifies as an efficient if not always tactful, match-maker.

At the Page "Doubling For Romeo," Will Rodgers' latest screen comedy, is cast as an Arizona cowpuncher who goes to Hollywood to learn how love is made in the movies. His adventures as a "double" for the villain will keep you roaring with laughter. The picture is one of the most original comedies ever shown and was booked especially for the Page patrons' Christmas entertainment to begin today.

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