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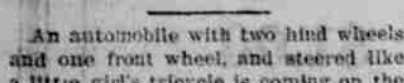
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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry. The men in the effete era are waving their hair, using lipsticks, and shaving their eyebrows, and by fall they will have rufles on their pants legs.

An automobile with two hind wheels and one front wheel, and steered like a little girl's tricycle is coming on the market. They will not mutilate a victim, but enable the driver to take better aim.

Sugar is the lowest since the war, and it is an opportune time for it as the women have no fruit to can.

The way to enforce the law against bootleggers and moonshiners is to enforce it, with teeth.—(Salem Statesman). Hereafter all candidates for sheriff should have a full set.

One never hears any more of Hiram Johnson, and "unspeakable Turks" murdering "innocent Armenians."

The Portland Telegram is editorially endeavoring to find out who "killed Cock Robin," which is the long way round of discovering who rammed a pitchfork through the 1925 fair.

The Irish peace mess was agitated Tuesday by Countess Mariekevitz. Her first name is Bridget, but it ought to be Olga. The countess made a speech, and took a charming fall out of Queen Mary's brother, who is liable to be afflicted with the governorship of Ireland.

The official motto of the state of Oregon is "She Files With Her Own Wings," but owing to the primary system, it will hereafter be: "Run, Boys, Run!"

Further insult has been heaped upon China. An American archeologist has discovered they are distant relatives of Mexicans.

Wig Ashpole has a new car. He bought it with the money he lost on the last carload of hogs to Portland.

The weekly gymnastic exercises for the community larynx was held at the 4th meet Wed.

They met and they talked where the crossroads meet. Four men from the four winds come, and they talked of the horse, for they loved the theme, and never a man was dumb.

And the man from the north loved the strength of the horse, and the man from the east his pace, and the man from the south loved the speed of the horse, and the man from the west his grace.

So these four men from the four winds come, and paused a space in his course and smiled in the face of his fellow-man.

And lovingly talked of the horse, then each man departed and went his way. As their different courses ran: And each man journeyed with peace in his heart, and loving his fellow-man.

They met the next year where the crossroads meet. Four men from the four winds come, and it chanced as they met that they talked of God.

And never a man was dumb. One imagined God in the shape of man. A spirit did one insist. One said that nature itself was God, One said that he didn't exist.

But they lashed each other with tongues that stung, That snote as with a rod: Each glared in the face of his fellow-man, and wrathfully talked of God.

Then each man departed and went his way, and their different courses ran: And each man journeyed with war in his heart, and hating his fellow-man.

(From "Land a Hand," official paper Oregon State Prison.)

AND NOW THE WHIRLWIND.

IF THE Irish treaty is defeated,—and today's press reports indicate it will be,—mob rule will win.

Not by an appeal to the patriotism and reason of Ireland, but by an appeal to passion and hate, has this outcome been brought about.

The men who fought for Ireland, have fought for the treaty. The men who prayed for Ireland have prayed for the treaty. The far seeing statesmen of Ireland, as contrasted with the self-seeking politicians, have worked night and day for the treaty.

But the inciters of violence and hatred have apparently won. Tolerance and reason have been scattered by the winds. Now if the treaty is beaten, the reaping of the whirlwind will begin.

And upon the Hymn haters, the blood-lust inciters, those who cared more for their political ambitions, than for Ireland and her people, the responsibility will rest.

HIRAM IS WRONG.

IF HIRAM JOHNSON thinks the American people turned down "Jimmy" Cox because they didn't like the League of Nations, he has another "think" coming.

The League of Nations figured but slightly in the great referendum. The people were sick of the status quo and wanted a change; they were resentful of Wilsonian domination, and wanted no residuary legate; they had faith in the superior business and administrative ability of the Republican party, and voted accordingly.

The League of Nations, as drawn up and presented, was undoubtedly unpopular, but the spirit it represented was not unpopular, and is not unpopular today.

Senator Johnson seems to forget that Republican leaders, like Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, Herbert Hoover and others, issued a public statement, pledging that the spirit of the league would be carried out if Harding should be elected. This statement was issued shortly before the election.

And it is this spirit of the league, to substitute negotiation for armed conflict, which is embodied in the Pacific treaty, and which is and has been the moving force of the Washington conference.

To regard the last election as a safe precedent for the politician to fight the Washington conference and all its works, is to betray a vast store of stupidity, and prepare the ground for a rude awakening.

Quill Points

A little conference now and then is a great boon to writing men.

"The American," says a British writer, "likes snap." This is especially true of a soft snap.

Learn one thing every day: The driver who lights a match to find a leak in the gas tank always finds it.

There may be something in this beauty-sleep theory. We know some beauties who are always asleep from the ears up.

A scientist says the next fighting will be done with rays. Much of the past fighting has been done for a raise.

Statuary would be impressive along our highways—especially statues of undertakers at the curves.

It is a fine thing to sympathize with the down-trodden; it is a finer thing to fix them so they won't need sympathy.

The conquest of the air has advanced to the point where a stunt flyer seldom gets more than ten lines, when he smashes.

Will Irwin says a modern shell will completely destroy a house. It will, moreover, keep the house from being built.

Japan has no designs on China, of course; but it is significant that when the door opens in China, a bell rings in Tokio.

A few years ago they said: "See what war has done for busi-ness." Now they say: "See how war has done for business."

Man's attitude toward freedom is that of the parent who makes the kid take castor oil, but chooses a substitute for himself.

What puzzles us is how France expects to use those battleships against the Germans who menace her in Upper Silesia.

Well, if any woman marries Wilhelm after all the papers have said about him, she will have no one to blame but herself.

The loss of one faculty seems to make another more acute, and since the world's heart was broken its lungs seem to be in extra fine shape.



Rippling Rhymes

THE BOOTLEGGERS. ON FURTIVE feet along the street in darkness they are going; from stew and clam they bring the rum that keeps the boneyard growing. They make their rye of poisoned lye, of rough on rats their brandy, and he who drinks is wise, methinks, to keep a coffin handy. They fill their vats with old dead cats when they would make sour mash; and one small drink will put a gink in line for dust and ashes. They make their gin of rusted tin and upas leaves and granite, and he who sips curls up and skips from this, our well known planet. They make their booze from cast-off shoes brought in by vampires ghostly and he who quaffs finds epitaphs the goods he's needing mostly. Ah, when you swig a bumper big of bootleg rye or bourbon, your works will split, you'll throw a fit no doe can put a curb on. You'll bite the chairs and fall down stairs and start a roughhouse gaudy, and when you're through the coroner true will sit upon your body. Few, few escape the shroud and crepe, who drink the bootleg mixture, and with a spade men's beds are made where headstones are a fixture. The bootleg knaves are peddling graves, they're selling bottled slaughter; oh, then, with me, drink honest tea, and pop, and milk and water!

SAP AND SALT BY Bert Moses. No man is greater than his mother. About all there is to movie plots is being kissed or being killed. Happy folks are rich, no matter how poor they may be. The fellow who gets a raise in wages is the first to kick about high prices. Why will homely women choose such awful looking hats? Disgrace is the penalty of being found out, yet nearly everybody runs the risk. HEZ HECK SAYS: "Pizen ivy is like vice—it wont bother you if you keep away from it."

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

- 1—Where is Mt. Etna? 2—What is a deacon? 3—What is ariculture? 4—Who wrote, "Old Ironsides"? 5—Does Vermont have a greater population than New Hampshire? 6—Is Milwaukee larger than Minneapolis? 7—How many square miles do the Rocky mountains cover? 8—Who wrote "Tom Sawyer"? 9—What state has the largest river frontier? 10—Can a tiger swim?

Answers to Yesterday's Questions

- 1—What is the official date of the discovery of Brazil? Ans. May 3, 1500. 2—What was the average daily pay of railroad employes during the period before the war? Ans. \$2.87. 3—Does gas consume oxygen in rooms where it is used for cooking? Ans. Gas consumes a portion of the oxygen. 4—Were Pilgrim tercentenary stamps issued in any other denomination besides ones and twos? Ans. There were five cent stamps also. 5—How many stores are there in the Woolworth chain? Ans. 1111 located in this country, England and Canada. 6—Who do English call the wishbone? Ans. "Merry Thought." 7—What was the total number of men mobilized by all nations during the war? Ans. 59,176,864. 8—What is meant by "relative humidity"? Ans. It is the ratio of the vapor actually present compared with the greatest amount the air could possibly contain at a given temperature. 9—What sort of a disease is alopecia? Ans. It is a disease characterized by loss of the hair. 10—If the estimated wealth of the country was equally divided how much would we all get in money? Ans. \$1955.

Seek Friends in Hour of Need

"In the hour of need we quickly seek our best friends," writes Chas. Schridt Ward de Wet, 957 73rd Ave., Oakland, Cal., "our little boy and girl had a severe dry, rasping cough without phlegm, a cough that choked and flushed the face of the sufferers like unto convulsions. Foley's Honey and Tar was a wonderful emergency remedy." Cases like this give Foley's Honey and Tar its reputation as the best remedy for coughs and colds. Adv.

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Day or Night WEEKS-CONGER CO Funeral Directors



At the Rialto "The Sting of the Lash" opens an engagement of three days at the Rialto theatre today and local film devotees are promised a decided treat in the splendid acting of Miss Pauline Frederick, who appears in the leading role. Miss Frederick's unusual versatility has long since placed her in the highest rank of dramatic artists and the role she interprets in "The Sting of the Lash," was designed to give her versatility full scope. At the outset she is a smart young woman of New York society but her fortunes collapse and she becomes the wife of an idler and herself becomes a drudge. But she triumphs in the end and smiles of happiness creep through the haze of tears. A splendid cast supports Miss Frederick.

At the Page

Those many troubles attendant upon a firmly rooted but rather vaguely directed desire to become a self-extinguisher, form the merry basis for the continuous hilarity of "Hard Luck," the Buster Keaton comedy, which is being shown at the Page theatre, with the feature attraction "The Passion Flower," starring Norma Talmadge. In Buster's version of hard luck the sombre-faced comedian gives some hilariously funny depletions of just what a man is up against who courts a quick end because his pockets have nothing but their entrances, while bed and board are forgotten luxuries. As in his other film chacklers, the ever-present and very belligerent villain, furnishes Buster plenty of opportunity to bring down the house with his antics, while pretty little Virginia Fox is always the susceptible siren whose beauty is the cause of contention between the villain and Buster. The presence of Bull Montana, whose tin-eared vantage has sent a thrill through thousands of picture fans, adds further to the general joviality of "Hard Luck."

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MEDFORD-ASHLAND STAGE Leave Medford for Ashland and Ashland for Medford, daily except Sunday. Every hour on the hour from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m., then 9:30 p. m. Also 8:30 and 10:30 p. m. Saturday only. Sunday Schedule—Leave Medford for Ashland and Ashland for Medford every hour on the hour from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., then 6:30 and 9:30 p. m.

FARES. Medford-Ashland 45 cents. 20 ride book \$5.00 Medford-Talent or Ashland-Phoenix 20 cents. 20 ride book \$3.20 Medford-Phoenix or Ashland-Talent 20 cents. 20 ride book \$2.50 Medford-Vorhies, Ashland-Luke's Ranch, Phoenix-Talent or any short ride 15 cents. 20 ride book \$2.00

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