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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.

None of the stinks raised in the
valley this season will be exhibited at the
county fair in September, owing to
the lack of space. On the last day
there will be a free-for-all tantrum
throwing contest, sidewalkers barred.
Exhibitions of spontaneous hysterics
will be given daily in front of the
grandstand. Bring on your spasms!

YES! YES!
(Isaiah 32-17)

And the work of righteousness,
shall be peace; and the effect of
righteousness shall be quietness
and assurance forever.

Democratic members of congress
spend most of their time bewailing the
failure of the Harding administration
to "redeem Europe," to "rehabilitate
Europe," "the shameless abandonment
of Europe," "lack of consideration for
Old World civilization," and so on, and
so on. Why don't America confess she
started the war, and pay all bills?

Amateur whiskey was quoted on the
curb today at pre-fuss prices, owing to
the fall output of the home stills com-
ing on the market.

The season for sprouting horns and
wings in political circles has just
started.

A LITERARY GHOST
(Corvallis Gazette Times)

There is a story in August Scribner's
that will interest the newspaper man
especially and those generally who
are interested in the art of writing.
Everybody thinks he can write. Young
people are sent to school to learn to
write, but unless they have the writing
instinct they will never learn in a
thousand years. To write well is an
inborn gift exactly as much as an
ability to sing. A person with no voice
might go to a music school forever
and never be able to sing.

And so, this story illustrates this
point. It tells of a news article com-
ing over the wires.

The story was a masterpiece of
newspaper reporting. Very simply,
yet powerfully, it etched the whole
terrible scene. The tragic accident
with which the waters swept down on
the town. The bald-headed Paul Re-
vere in a flivver who rushed through
the streets and saved hundreds by his
warning shouts, and, heedless of him-
self, kept on until the water closed
over him and his faithful Lizzie. The
heroism of the telephone "girl" who
forgot her own three children and
stayed at her switchboard until the
wires went dead and the water went
to her knees. The pitiful corpses of
children swirling amidst wash-tubs
and household sofas. The plight of the
fugitives on the hills, where families
were miraculously reunited. How a
two-months-old baby, the sole survivor
of a family, was rescued from the top
of a small tree. How an Alredale
saved another baby. The terror, the
misery, the sardonic humor of the
whole thing were brought out with
wonderful wealth of detail and yet it
was all synchronized as if the writer
had had months to collect and sift his
material.

After it was finished the news writer
sat staring at the signature, "R. F.
Johnson," and slowly shook his head.

"No, Mr. Johnson," he said aloud,
"you may be a fine little fellow and
well thought of in your late lamented
home town, but you never in the world
wrote this story."

Henry knew that only one man
could have written the story from
Largen. He recognized the style in
the first three lines and the rest con-
firmed his view in a dozen ways, little
tricks of phrasing, the use of certain
words, the sentence structure, even
the rare mistakes. He knew it as an
art critic knows an unsigned painting
by a master, or a youth knows the
handwriting of his best girl. But the
man who had written the Largen story
had been dead for three years. It was
amazing. It was unbelievable, and—
well, it's a good story, but the point is,
the individual style is not a matter of
manufacture, but an instinct and as
individualistic as a thumb print.

THE CORRUPT PRACTICE ACT.

THERE is no report of the mass meeting at the Natatorium last
night in today's paper. The reason is, such a report would be
in violation of the Corrupt Practice Act, which holds that election
day should be free from propaganda to influence the voters.

Although many Oregon papers have never recognized this
Act, as far as their news columns are concerned, and many lawyers
maintain the act could never be enforced, in this direction, The Mail
Tribune believes the law is plain in its provisions and should be ob-
served, both in letter and spirit, as long as it is on the statute books.

But unless this law is to work a genuine hardship upon those
papers which do observe it, some provision should be made against
the issuance of printed charges too late on the day preceding elec-
tion, to allow those attacked a public defense.

It is doubtful if such protection can be provided by statute. But
as no statute is stronger than public opinion supporting it, adequate
protection can be attained, if the people as a whole will treat such
charges as they deserve to be treated.

At a number of elections, for example certain vicious charges have
been printed and circulated late on the day preceding election and
far into the night. Anticipating some such action again, certain Med-
ford citizens arranged for a mass meeting in Medford last night, so
that similar tactics could be met.

But there is, under the law, no way by which those replies can be
given to the voters today, and as a result the 11th hour forces have a
distinct and unfair advantage.

It is because of this that The Mail Tribune made its public charges
and filed its answers, on Thursday of this week allowing ample time
for the opposition to reply. We believe if the people can be made to
see the situation properly, the time will come when last minute at-
tacks will be abandoned, because of the strength of public opinion
against them.

Quill Points

Fable: Once there was a girl who received an engagement ring
and didn't visit a jeweler to learn its value.

Choosing between the mountains and the seashore is largely a mat-
ter of form.

The old-fashioned girl, with her voluminous summer frocks, was
fair and warmer.

If pardners would never raise a racket, there would be less busi-
ness for the courts.

About the only thing you can say for the mosquito family is that
the female does the work.

Thrift is the art of persuading the wife that she looks her best in
gingham.

The farmer isn't the only one who gets his living out of dirt. There
is the modern novelist.

Once there was a handsome man who wasn't conceited about his
looks. The poor chap was blind.

Corn on the cob looks very appetizing until it is pushed against
a face having a surface coat of rouge.

One reason why European nations are nearing bankruptcy is be-
cause their assets do not include good will.

When your host confesses in his wife's presence that she bosses
him, he is merely bragging because she doesn't.

The healing processes of peace have gone so far that it is longer
considered good form to talk about cooties.

One reason for the unpopularity of outdoor theatricals is the dif-
ficulty of making an out-door bedroom look natural.

It may be that the Irish are leaving no stone unturned to win
freedom, but they appear to be making little use of the blarney stone.



HOURS OF REST.

T IRED FATHER to his home repairs from labors in the mart,
where he has climbed nine miles of stairs, until he broke
his heart. That organ, in his manly chest, will be a total loss
until long hours of healing rest he's safely put across. And if
his wife is good and wise she'll grant him his repose, nor order
him to swat the flies or wield the garden hose. Too often home
turns out a fake because of endless chores; the man who earns the
bread and cake can't saw off peaceful snores. "The chicken
house is full of cracks," he hears the housewife say; "so take a
lantern and an ax and fix them right away." Far better burn
the chicken pen with every roost and nest, than worry thus the
stricken man who only yearns for rest. "The kitchen roof, when
torrents pour, lets all the water through," the wife proceeds,
"and our front door is badly out of true. Ah, better let the old
roof leak, the doors be hard to close, than bore a man who's worn
and weak, whose muscles need repose. Let peace enshroud the
aching dome when comes the close of day, for he who brings the
bacon home should have the right of way."

Portland Paper Boosts Crater Lake

White reports from all vacation re-
sorts are that they are being visited
by increased numbers of pleasure
seekers. Crater lake probably shows
greater gains this year than any
other.

With the Oregon state highway
commission the United States park
bureau and the federal road bureau
co-operating, the route leading to the
park have reached such a stage of
easy going that an auto party now

rim, which is thirty miles around, or
explore in a boat the shores of the
lake, the surface of which is 1000
feet below the rim and returns either
to Medford or Klamath Falls that
night.

But one will want to stay longer,
for this mystery lake, ten miles across
enthralls the visitor. The Crater
lake hotel, located right on the rim,
has accommodations for nearly 200
persons and there are camp grounds
available.

Sit beside the fireside in the hotel,
or in camp, the one topic always is
the why and whence of this geological
puzzle. Where did the water come
from, how does it leave the lake, and
the secret of both inlet and outlet
is hidden from inquisitive man.

Rogue River Scenic.

Should the vacationist not be lim-
ited, on time, he will find the beau-
ties of the upper Rogue river on the
Medford-Crater Lake highway all
that should be required to detain him.
Water falls, cliffs towering hundreds
of feet above the water defying ex-
ploration, fishing or quiet nooks
abound.

On the road from Klamath, Anna
river, bordered with pinnacles that
testify to millions of years in the
making, gorges of unbelievable grand-
eur, keeps the vacationist in ecstasy.

One may spend a day, a week or a
month at this wonder spot of the
world. Every moment will be filled
with thrills.—Portland Telegram.

HOW MUCH DO
YOU KNOW?

1. Which disease do children have the most?
2. How many miles is East Chi-
cago from the central business part
of the city?
3. How long is a railroad tie?
4. How many railroad ties are
used each year in this country?
5. Where did the word grocer
come from?
6. What disease is it that cuts
down the yield of pears?
7. How fast can railroad trains
run?
8. What letter in the alphabet is
both a letter and a word?
9. What were the first diction-
aries used for?
10. What are two synonyms of
the word salute?

Answers to Yesterday's Questions:

1. When stock sells at its face
value what is it called? Ans. Par.
2. What are two synonyms for
afire? Ans. Forgoing and before.
3. What is happening to the for-
tifications at Heligoland? Ans. They
are being demolished.
4. What state has the most
banks? Ans. Illinois. There are
1349 national and 899 state banks.
5. What was President McKin-
ley's favorite song? Ans. "Lead
Kindly Light."
6. Is it possible to cool water be-
low thirty-two degrees Fahrenheit
without freezing? Ans. Yes.
7. When was the Declaration of
Independence signed? Ans. Aug. 2,
1776.
8. How long does anti-typoid
vaccination last? Ans. From one to
four years.
9. Is there a trade where the em-
ployee fix the value of the commodi-
ties sold? Ans. Yes, the barber
trade.
10. When was the Baltimore fire?
Ans. Feb. 7, 1904.

Bible Questions
and Answers

1. What two chapters in the
Bible are alike?
2. What is the middle verse in the
Bible?
3. What meaning has the word
"Amen" at the end of a prayer?
4. What did Christ call Herod
when he was warned that he (Herod)
sought to kill him?
5. How did Judas betray Christ?
6. When Judas repented of his
act of betrayal, what did he do?

Answers to Yesterday's Questions:

1. Peter, James and John were at
the transfiguration of Christ.
2. Christ referred to Judas Isca-
riot when He said: "And one of you
is a devil."
3. King Ahasuerus placed Haman
the Agagite above all the other
princes that were with him.
4. The Old Testament commandment: "Thou
shalt not bear false witness against
thy neighbor."
5. The verse of the Book of Ezra
7:21, contains all the letters in the
alphabet but one.
6. The letter 'J' is the one letter
absent in this verse.

Bible Thought for Today

GUARD THE TONGUE.—Keep thy
tongue from evil, and thy lips from
speaking guile. Depart from evil, and
do good; seek peace, and pursue it.
—Psalm 34: 13, 14.

HARDING IS CONFIDENT
OF SUFFICIENT COAL

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Confident
that enough coal will be produced
eventually to meet the country's needs
regardless of strikes on railroads and
in the mines, President Harding, it
was said today at the White House
contemplates no new step in the coal
strike situation.

"The administration, it was added,
will of course interpose no objections
should the governor of any state adopt
the policies of Governor McCray of
Indiana and Groesbeck of Michigan
and undertake coal production for the
public."

TOY PISTOL BLUFF LEADS
TO SHOOTING SMALL BOY

DETROIT, Mich., July 29.—Harry
Watson, 15, tried to "bluff" two police-
men with his toy pistol, the officers
believing that the boy's weapon was
genuine, fired upon him and Harry is
in a hospital today near death.

Bumping Down by the Rio Grande

Good roads, perfect highways,
peace and prosperity, via, bad roads,
war and poverty. What a contrast.
Yet not unlike fiction would read the
tale of a journey, once the Pacific
Highway or the old Spanish Trail was
left behind and we wished to travel
into that war-torn and neglected
country down by the Rio Grande.
Down by the Rio Grande: there is
something magic, like a call in those
few words that have inspired, and
many a time lured us on to adven-
ture, and perhaps if we ever are
lucky, to reach—sometimes to the
end of the trail. Mexico was grand,
superb in her ancient glory from
Montezuma down, yes to Diaz, but
today, the day of distant defying vic-
itudes and of magnificent highways,
what a contrast.

A gentleman wanted to go to Old
Mexico on a pleasure trip, he asked
for information at the Oregon Tour-
ist Information Bureau in the Cham-
ber of Commerce building and the
following letter from the key city of
the wonderful west coast of Mexico
was soon received.

"Nogales, Ariz., July 24, 1922.
"Mr. A. H. Callaghan,
"Medford, Ore.
"Dear Sir: We would not advise
anyone attempting an auto trip to the
City of Mexico. With considerable

difficulty, with time no object—it
could be done. We have no infor-
mation as to the possibilities of making
the trip via Laredo, Texas, but down
the west coast and on to Guadala-
Jara the difficulty will be in crossing
a number of the nineteen rivers en-
countered on route. There are no
wagon bridges and fording depends
on what time of the year the trip is
made. During the months of Au-
gust and September the trip is im-
possible, and it will depend on the
amount of rainfall whether the trip
could be made before November.
There are no well defined through
roads in Mexico and no road maps
of any description available. How-
ever, since the wagon road down the
west coast to Tepic follows closely
the line of the Southern Pacific of
Mexico, it would be easy to follow the
route. Gasoline is obtainable all the
way. Late in October or in Novem-
ber the west coast is at its best and
is a beautiful country to travel. The
roads are passable, with probably in
the 1800-mile trip 200 miles of
graded road.

"Very Truly Yours,
"NOGALES CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE."

Through our splendid highways
our blessings flow and are our wages
of reward.

with the skipper and "Betty" Brown
at the big Wurlitzer.

MISSOURI FLATS

Miss Esther Cook spent Wednes-
day with Miss Gladys Williams.

Mr. Cord Canfield of Kerby is visit-
ing Mrs. and Mrs. V. A. Bailey.

Mrs. Jessie Cook and Mrs. Gladys
Williams spent Thursday in Grants
Pass.

Mr. Brown of Applegate is thresh-
ing on the flat this week.

Mrs. Ida Basye and family of
Glendale is visiting her mother, Mrs.
Ike Vincent.

Mr. Bert York of the Flat is work-
ing in the saw mill at Kerby. The
mill belongs to Mr. Ruttercutt.

Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Kubi spent
Wednesday evening with Mrs. Ver-
non Bailey.

Mr. Ivan York has gone to the
mountains with a herd of cattle, this
making the second herd he has taken
this season.

On last Friday evening, July 14,
1922, the Angel of Death knocked
gently at the door of William B. York
at his residence on the Applegate and
took his spirit on that journey from
which no traveler returns.

Mr. York was born on the farm on
April 28, 1862, where he resided
until death called him away, being
62 years, two months and 16 days of
age.

His father, Henry York, who passed
away November 24, 1892, crossed
the plains in 1852 from Iowa and his
mother came to Oregon in the same
year from Missouri, a few years later
after their marriage they settled on
a farm in the Applegate valley near
the present place of residence, which
was destroyed in the flood of 1862.
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riage to Josephine Knox, October 14,
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but also by his mother, Mrs. Sarah
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we best knew him) took hold of
managing the farm for his father and
mother, at his father's demise he
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cumulated a large herd of cattle and
engaged in general farming. Billie
York had no enemies, a man who
attended strictly to his own business,
yet he possessed that feeling of com-
passion for others in need, that it has
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dren, a kind and loving father, always
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Funeral services were conducted by
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a large congregation of friends,
neighbors and relatives.

His father, Henry York, who passed
away November 24, 1892, crossed
the plains in 1852 from Iowa and his
mother came to Oregon in the same
year from Missouri, a few years later
after their marriage they settled on
a farm in the Applegate valley near
the present place of residence, which
was destroyed in the flood of 1862.
William B. York was united in mar-
riage to Josephine Knox, October 14,
1897, to which union two children
were born, Mrs. Gladys Williams of
Kerby, Ore., and Henry Ivan York
of Murphy, Ore. He is not only sur-
vived by his wife and two children,
but also by his mother, Mrs. Sarah
E. York of Grants Pass, five brothers,
Albert York of Oregon City, Joseph
York of Murphy, Ore., Frank York
of Buhl, Idaho, Harvey York of Ga-
zelle, Cal.; Lee York of Grants Pass,
Ore., and two sisters, Mrs. W. Rus-
sell of Grants Pass and Cora York of
Portland, Oregon. On account of his
father's poor health Billie York (as
we best knew him) took hold of
managing the farm for his father and
mother, at his father's demise he
still continued on the farm and ac-
cumulated a large herd of cattle and
engaged in general farming. Billie
York had no enemies, a man who
attended strictly to his own business,
yet he possessed that feeling of com-
passion for others in need, that it has
been said that he turned no applicant
for a favor down. To his