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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.

Considerable originality was displayed in the construction of revolutionary yams, but the height of imagination was reached in the whispered report that the horned and tailed sheriff intended to open a saloon on Haymarket Square if he won the day. "The emissary of Satan" stated this morning, that such was the case, but he was hampered by the inability to secure bartenders. The sad part of the fracas is the readiness with which folks believe anything, when out of their heads from partisanship.

Alas the so-called "silent vote of Jackson county" was located. It was out at Sterling, and voted solidly for Mr. Lowe. The vote: Terrill 27; Lowe 00.

A South Carolina boy of ten, paddled for some trivial offense, disrupted the even tenor of his home life. Friday afternoon, by shooting his father between the eyes with a squirrel rifle. The right of small folks to do as they please is fundamental. A sixshooter should be attached to every school desk so when the teacher tramples on the sacred rights, they can be artistically removed from all further annoyance with a well placed bullet.

This col. will give a bound volume of Smudge to the best display of bearded barley and baldheaded cabbages at the co. fair.

WHERE'S YOURS?
(Oregon City Enterprise)
Mat Kiser had the misfortune of losing one of his best houses last week.

It may interest a few to know that Miss Ima Bunch, is a waitress in Hitt, Calif.

Just another broken tie—the Espee-Ceepee divorce.

The Mexicans are showing signs of unrest. It was not expected in well informed circles, that they would submit to Henry Ford's threat to put them to work, without a struggle.

The Veterans of 1922 will meet this evening, and take steps towards securing a bonus.

Let him who is without an affidavit throw the first tantrum. All live notary publics are wearing new neckties.

A FOREHANDED LADY

(Coo's Bay Times)
LOST HER CLOTHING.—Mrs. states that she lost all her clothing in the destruction of the Pioneer rooming house of which she was proprietor. When awakened she did not stop to dress but hurried around in her night clothes to awaken all the roomers. As a result, she had to flee herself in her night robes, saving only a shotgun. She has purchased the Central rooming house from Mr. Brown and has already taken possession.

Calvin A. Coolidge was in the news Saturday. Mr. Coolidge, it will be recalled is ex-governor of Massachusetts.

Lloyd-George, premier of England, who is admitted to know what he is talking about some of the time, warns that "the churches of the world" should devote their energies to "averting the next war." Unless they do, he says, there will be war. This seems reasonable. If the churches have the time to spare from the hopeless, but exciting task of "purifying politics," through acting as catspaws for designing political adventurers. Christianity did not make much of a showing in the last war along preventative lines, though they did noble work, when it was too late. It may be that in the Ledger of Time, the Recording Angel has listed the accomplishments of the Church, in Halting the Great Slaughter on the page opposite the names of Candidates Elected to Office by Sundry Creds and Sects.

A hammer to which nails are fed by paper strips to save time has been patented by a California inventor.

THE RECALL ELECTION.

THE result of the recall election was an emphatic rebuke of the Ku Klux Klan. Instead of being a political asset, the victory of Sheriff Terrill demonstrates that in Jackson county K. K. K. support is a serious, —a very serious,—liability.

This is as it should be. There is no rightful place in this county, no rightful place in this state for a secret society, which seeks to gain political control of the government. Regardless of the peculiarly insidious features of this particular secret organization, invisible government of any kind is now and always will be a serious menace to American Institutions. And whenever the issue is clearly involved, as it was in the special election, the people can be depended upon to proclaim in no uncertain terms, that they are competent to handle their own affairs, and want no underground influences or mystic empires to interfere with them.

The defeat of the Ku Klux Klan is the more striking when the situation is carefully analyzed. For the Lowe vote is far greater than the actual K. K. K. strength. Hundreds of people who voted for Lowe have no use for the Klan as such and on any clear-cut issue of upholding or condemning this organization would have voted for condemnation, but by the propaganda issued they were led to believe that Lowe represented strict enforcement of the prohibition law and Terrill didn't, and on what they conceived to be the best moral grounds, they voted for Lowe.

In addition to this Lowe undoubtedly received the discontented vote, the vote of those who are vaguely dissatisfied with conditions as they are, and found in the recall of Sheriff Terrill an outlet for their resentment,—the Klan menace to them, being largely disregarded.

Subtracting these votes from the Lowe total and the Klan political strength certainly dwindles to a decidedly pathetic figure.

Unless all signs fail the time is not far distant, when the widespread report, that Jackson county is a hot bed of Ku Kluxism, can be finally and permanently denied, and Southern Oregon can regain her former well deserved reputation of being one of the most united and progressive communities on the Pacific coast.

GOOD WORK.

Great credit for Terrill's victory is due the Citizens' Committee. These men gave without stint and without any hope of personal reward all they could afford in money and time to prevent what they sincerely believed to be a great wrong to an honest public official and a great menace to the peace and prosperity of Southern Oregon. Theirs was good work, well done.

Quill Points

All work and no play gets Jack in shape to pay the alimony.

Capitol: A legislative building. Capital: A legislative influence.

Wonder what a Mexican bandit leader thinks of an American mob leader.

America's most dangerous enemy is the thought that the boss is an enemy.

These conferences have at least taught us that Ford isn't the only one who can make flippers.

Europe may not be destroyed, but the plucked tourist who returns voices the hope that it will be.

Correct this sentence: "The man obtained a civil service job and was beyond the reach of politicians."

Even if the radio loses popularity, it was worth the price to keep the young folks home nights for a few months.

Even in summer, the open fireplace has its uses in the tobacco-chewing belt.

If women keep on learning the professions, a wife of the future can't expect much from her husband except moral support.

You can't make the psychologists believe it, but the explanation of the crime wave is the fact that the country is full of criminals.

In this turmoil and strife, the only thing that will keep the poor from actual suffering is a more economical carburetor.

The number of people who hate the Volstead law because it doesn't prohibit is exceeded by the number who hate it because it does.



LIFE IS STRANGE.

WHEN man determines to abjure punk habits which have made him poor, it seems that all the fates protest, and for his downfall do their best. My pastor often called me down for smoking pipes around the town. "A foul example for the young," he grimly said, "by you is sprung; the children see you burning grass, and imitate your curves alas!" My doctor said, "You've smoked so long that all your works are going wrong." And so I cried, "I'll smoke no more, though smokeless days may be a bore." Before my vow had aged a day, a neighbor sought my door to say, "Your songs encourage and uplift, and so I've brought a little gift; a pipe of meerschaum, fair to see, and when you smoke it think of me." When he departed from my gate, there came another smiling skate, who said, "O Bard, your deathless rhymes have saved my life a thousand times! When I had chilblains and repeat, I rubbed your verses on my feet; and when my hair was falling out, and when I had the duplex gout, I took a madrigal of yours, and found it beat the drugstore cures! You are a sun among the stars, and so I've brought you some cigars, the kind that kings and princes use—they do not smell like burning shoes." You ask me if I kept my vow; don't bother me—I'm busy now.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

1. What is Britannia metal?
2. Who is the first suicide mentioned in the Bible?
3. Where is the ball known as Big Ben?
4. What is the Spanish pronunciation of Mexico?
5. How many articles are handled by the drug trade?
6. How do engineers harden quicksand?
7. In which country was tobacco introduced first, England or France?
8. What country possesses half the diamonds of the world?
9. What is the name of the gypsy language?
10. What colors do Chinese prefer their cars to be?

Answers to Saturday's Questions:

1. Which disease do children have the most? Ans. Usually measles.
2. How far is East Chicago from the central business district of the city? Ans. Nineteen miles.
3. How long is a railroad tie? Ans. Eight feet.
4. How many railroad ties are used each year in this country? Ans. From 100,000,000 to 125,000,000.
5. Where did the word grocer come from? Ans. It was originally groser, or one who sold by the gross.
6. What disease is it that cuts down the yield of peaches? Ans. Peach blight.
7. How fast can railroad trains run? Ans. The modern passenger locomotive can run 112 miles an hour on a straight level track.
8. What letter in the alphabet is both a letter and a word? Ans. "I."
9. What were the first dictionaries used for? Ans. To explain signs.
10. What are two synonyms for the word salute? Ans. Greet and hail.

Bible Questions and Answers

1. What kind of clothes did John the Baptist wear while in seclusion?
2. What did his food consist of?
3. Who were the Aaronites?
4. What is the tenth commandment?
5. Who refused to bow before Haman?
6. How many days was Christ tempted by Satan?
7. If Kings 19 and Isaiah 37 are the two chapters in the Bible which are alike.
8. The middle verse in the bible is Psalm 118:8.
9. The word "Amen" at the end of a prayer is used to fix the stamp of truth upon the prayer and to make it binding.
10. Christ called Herod a fox, when He was warned that Herod sought to kill Him.
11. Judas betrayed Christ with a kiss.
12. When Judas repented of his act of betrayal, he went out and hanged himself.

Bible Thought for Today

GREATEST IN THE KINGDOM.
—Whoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.
—Matthew 18: 4.

COMMUNICATIONS

Deplores Ministers' Action

To the Editor: The battle has been fought and "the fittest survive." This has been an unusual contest in this that the fight was for a principle and not for party advantage. This very fact gives a seriousness to the situation seldom heretofore seen. Not all of the people seem to have yet been aroused to a sense of the vital issue and the pending campaign will resound with an accumulated determination against class, race and religious hatreds. When people become thoroughly aroused and informed, they will as a rule act right. Any party combination of individuals bent on the accomplishment of one purpose regardless of sentiments of justice or right; to whom the end justifies the means, will find, and will, sooner or later wake up to the fact that justice in the end will prevail.

The most pitiful spectacle in this whole unfortunate business is that those who hold themselves out as the followers of the "meek and lowly Christ" should, in large numbers, be found in league with others whose whole purpose is diametrically opposed to the teachings and example of Him whom they claim for their Master. We have found them engaged in villification and abuse, resorting to falsehood, and even to perjury, to put into power a class whose ritual is intended to stir up race prejudice, class hatreds and religious war. Advancing such thoughts and purposes do not make for peace, but the reverse. We have seen our beautiful valley split into factions, crimes multiplied, bitterness and strife engendered, families divided, hitherto friends driven to malignant hatreds of each other, and advertisements sent out to the world that we are being hurried headlong to destruction. All of this has come about as a result of efforts of an organization bent on controlling our governmental affairs and setting themselves up as a super-government and "invisible Empire," assuming to try, condemn and punish others for what they see fit to call crime, political and moral, without the intervention of courts or jury and in direct violation of the laws of the country. And this they pretend to do in the name of law and order. Oh Justice, Mercy and Peace, what crimes are committed in thy name!

There is no doubt that many people have affiliated themselves with this organization, or are indirectly fostering them who do not realize what a pitiful wrong they are committing, not

only against true Americanism, but against themselves. Such as these are not to be forgiven for they could easily discover the truth if they would. If they are so indifferent toward the commission of the most serious wrongs, that they refuse, or neglect to inform themselves they are so criminally negligent as to make themselves participants in the wrongs committed.

Again it is a very sad thought that those who set themselves up as teachers of morals should be allied in a combination that has been proven to be a combination of crooks who are exploiting the public for personal gain. In October of last year a congressional committee took up an investigation of the Ku Klux Klan at Washington during which examination Col. Simmons, the "Imperial Wizard" submitted himself to examination and his statement and cross-examination covered 117 pages, of the 184 pages of that sitting, covering several days. This has been printed by the committee and can be had by any person who will write to his congressman for it. The pages are large and closely printed. I will assert that any reasonably intelligent person who will read this report will be satisfied that it is what I have declared it to be. I will not say that Col. Simmons intended it to be for commercial gain, but I do say that one reading his statement and cross examination will reach the inevitable conclusion that it has gone into the hands of men (and one woman) who are exploiting it for money, pure and simple, and in their hands has passed beyond the control of their "Imperial Wizard" and that Edward Young Clarke and Mrs. Tyler are now absolutely dominating it and dividing the money between them. This is the combination which many of the church people as well as the members are aiding in the greatest swindle ever organized in the United States.

The Imperial Wizard filed with the committee the ritual of the order, containing all of their oaths and the same have been printed in full in that document. Among other things the oaths contain this:

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(Signed) W. H. JOHNSON.

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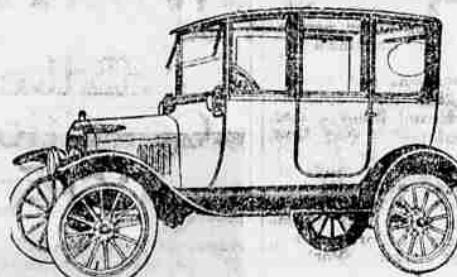
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