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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

The high school boys of Boise, Idaho have started wearing ear rings and still live.

When the president visits Portland on the anniversary of the nation's birth, and is greeted by a democratic governor miraculously elected by republican votes, let everybody be in civilian clothes.

SAFETY FIRST!

(Klamath Falls Herald)

Walter Kaiser, arrested Friday when he threatened to wreck the United Cigar store where, he asserted, he had left \$50 for safe keeping while he went to have his fortune told by a gypsy seeress, and who was arrested on complaint of the store management, was released Saturday.

A contest has been started to see who can run an auto the longest without paying the butcher.

What rumor attributes to be the inwards of nickel cigars is coming up fine on the vacant lots.

ALSO WOOD CO. IS SEEN WORKING.—(Hdline Albany Democrat). That'll be enough of that.

SO INAPPROPRIATE NOW

"God give us men! A time like this demands

Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and willing hands:

Men whom the lust of office does not kill;

Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;

Men who have honor; men who will not lie;

Men who can stand before a demagogue.

And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking;

Tall men, sun crowned, who live above the fog

In public duty and in private thinking!"

(J. G. Holland, 1854)

The gentleman by the name of Andy Gump, who threatens to sue newspapers printing the comic strip of the same name, is a recent arrival in Oregon from Kansas. The attendant publicity from his proposed suit, will no doubt inspire Mr. Gump to run for something in the next primary election.

THE RESTRICTED SCAMPIRE

(Centralia, Wn., Chronicle)

NOTICE TO ALL MEN—You must not make dates, be with, go with, or have secret talk or sell, trade or give any intoxicating drinks or tobacco or cigars, or hire or rent her a room, or board her, Mrs. Lillie Mobley, my wife, when there are not one or more respectable women staying at the same place at the same time.

(Signed)

W. A. Mobley, her husband.

(Cont. OLD)

A citizen lost his head while crossing the Rio del Gossipe Wed. Luckily, the gunner did not get the range in time.

"W. J. Herwig of the Anti-Saloon League, after the I. W. W. closed the groceries, tells us that the police have 'got in a rut and are inefficient' he declared.—(Portland Oregonian). A trifle late, but what you don't know don't hurt you.

Stops Cough and Wheezy Breathing

"Had a cough and wheezing in my throat," writes Caroline Dillard, Petersburg, Va. "Foley's Honey and Tar gave me quick relief and stopped my cough." Coughs resulting from Flu, Grippe, Whooping Cough, Asthma and Bronchitis, quickly relieved with Foley's Honey and Tar. Three generations of satisfied users have made Foley's Honey and Tar the largest selling cough medicine in the world. Refuse substitutes. Insist upon Foley's. Sold everywhere. Adv.

WANTED,—AN ANTI-GOSSIP CLUB

MISS GERALDINE FARRAR asked the New York Supreme Court today, to strike from the records of her divorce suit, all allusions to Miss Stella Larrimore, 19 year old actress named as one of the co-respondents.

The court denied the request, and informed Miss Farrar that she will have to answer for the charges made before a jury when Miss Larrimore will be given an opportunity to clear her name.

The situation is symptomatic of the times. The entire country appears to be suffering from an epidemic of malicious gossip, scandal mongering, and malignantly spiteful back-biting, and twaddle tattling, which would disgrace a back-alley conglomeration of tabby cats.

The worst feature of this despicable business is that the victims never have a fighting chance. They can't have. Miss Larrimore for example, may be as innocent of wrong doing as the purest lily in the field, but even if she is vindicated by a jury, nothing will remove the stain to her name and reputation, nothing will eliminate a certain suspicion in the all too credulous and suspecting public mind.

Idle gossip and tale bearing is the invariable trade mark of the coward. It is the recreation of the idler, the waster, and the black-guard. It is the most contemptible form of human depravity, for it never,—or almost never,—involves the slightest risk to the perpetrator. The tale is once told, and it passes from tongue to tongue, growing like the proverbial snow ball and when the injury has been done, the responsibility has vanished.

We have a number of clubs in Medford. Some people fear too many. But we believe there should be one more. We need above everything else a club for the eradication of the gossip pest. It is at the present time more dangerous than any other pest, including Blight, Codlin Moth, the Keyhole Pecker and the Chronic Grouch.

The first rule for admittance to that club should be merely a few traits of ordinary decency,—a disposition to credit no tale against a fellow citizen or citizeness, until proof had been presented, and the person chiefly concerned had at least been given an opportunity to be heard in his or her defense.

Both men and women should be eligible. The old superstition that "gossip" is of feminine gender hasn't a leg to stand on,—at least in this neck of the woods. Silence the male gossips and the problem would be solved.

Quill Points

When you cross two plants, you raise a hybrid. When you double-cross a woman, you raise what Dante saw.

But why should there be a home for worn-out chorus girls? There's always vaudeville.

If the groom is poor and bald and bow-legged, it is romance pure and undefiled.

Another good way to get thin to music is to keep on working while the dinner bell rings.

Men's clothes are modest enough, but a man can't conceal himself decently in a law suit.

Reformers are useful, but as a means of promoting virtue they are not as efficient as old age.

Some men haven't had a spring cold in ten years, and others have better memories.

The meanest man in the world is the one who is too honest to praise the possession another man delights in.

If the murderer returns to the scene of his crime, he probably has a sense of humor and enjoys watching the detectives.

Taking orders by telephone is all right, but it is rather annoying to have your wife call you during office hours like that.

Lives of great men oft remind us that one need not be a sage—that the only thing essential is a headline on first page.

We'll never stand in awe of efficiency experts until we see one in the act of dressing a small and wigglesome boy.

Even the habitual elbow-crookers are less annoying than the chap who habitually crooks a little finger when drinking from a glass.

If one of those little European countries were set down in America, its activities would be recorded on Page 6, alongside the patent medicine ads.



HELPING HANDS.

IT OFTEN happens as I drive along the turnpike wide, that I have punctures four or five, and blow-outs on the side. And then I don a long tan coat and grab a bunch of tools, and toil around my stranded boat, while sweat collects in pools. It is a grievous thing and dire to see a fat old boob attempting to inflate a tire that has a leaky tube. But when I've spent an hour in toil, and ruined both my thumbs, and sprayed myself with rancid oil, the helper always comes. "Oh, gaffer, you are old and fat," the smiling helper cries; "go sit a while upon your hat and rest and sweat the flies; and I will fix your busted tires for I am full of vim, with tendons tough as copper wires and pep in every limb." Whenever I am in distress the helper's always there; "You need some aid" he says, "I guess, the way you weep and swear. So tell me what a gent may do to help you in your plight, and I will break a leg or two to set the matter right." I've never yet been in a hole that helpers weren't nigh; and one would offer me his roll and one would bring a pie. Yet pessimists would have us think that man's a selfish scamp; that none of us would hand a drink of water to a tramp.

COMMUNICATIONS

Protect Dogs and Cats.

To the Editor:

Being a subscriber of your interesting, up-to-the-minute paper, I am going to let you know and thereby let the public know of the position the poor defenseless dog and cat are in today, and at the same time ask you: Have you no humane officer in Jackson county?

Yesterday I witnessed a poor dog running wild with cans tied to his tail. Upon investigation found the facts were: A lady had reported to our officer that two stray dogs must be taken care of, so this officer gets a bunch of boys to run him out of town by "canning him," as they say at the same time he said "run the cats too."

Not long ago our pets were poisoned. What's wrong here? Why not license dogs and cats. The town surely can use the money. Then order stray dogs and cats who live off garbage and hunt for water killed by our officer, thus all danger of carrying disease and danger of biting will be removed. I have killed 11 sick cats and now am caring for two stray dogs, besides caring for five cats. But the most dangerous feature is teaching the children cruelty, instead of teaching the wonderful qualities of the dog, and thereby plant the seed of kindness, instead. Gold Hill's motto for anything a few don't like is "Run them out of town."

Yours for defending the dumb beast.

MRS. FRANK LORENZ.

Gold Hill, May 9.

A Depopulator

That the so-called "compulsory" school bill passed last fall by vote of the people, which will prohibit all private schools in Oregon, is already driving out enterprise, industry and population is testified by the supreme officers of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen, who have announced that none of the Oregon sites for the \$10,000,000 "city of childhood" are acceptable because of this law.

At the banquet tendered by the Eugene Chamber of Commerce, Mark T. McKee, Detroit attorney and chairman of the Yeoman's Children's Home committee, declared that while some of the best building sites had been offered here, Oregon offers could not be considered unless some way was devised to get around this school bill. He declared that while other states had passed laws to make it easier for the Yeomen to favor their commonwealth, Oregon only has raised bars against it. He also declared that had his committee known of this law, it would not have stopped in this state.

This compulsory school bill has already prevented the colonization of a central Oregon irrigation district by Wisconsin Lutherans, who had agreed

to settle and develop the land, but abandoned the plan and sought location in another state when the measure carried in the November election. It promises remarkable results as a depopulator, as well as keeping Oregon in the limelight as a freak state.—Salem Capital Journal.

To Reduce Dangerous Varicose Veins

Strong, Powerful Yet Safe Surgeon's Prescription Called Moore's Emerald Oil Has Astonished Physicians

People who have swollen veins or bunches should not wait until they reach the bursting point, which means much suffering and loss of time, but should at once secure from any reliable druggist a two-ounce original bottle of Moore's Emerald Oil (full strength). By using this powerful, yet harmless germicide treatment improvement is noticed in a few days and by its regular use swollen veins will return to their normal size and sufferers will cease to worry. Moore's Emerald Oil treatment is used by physicians and in hospitals and is guaranteed to accomplish results or money returned.

It reduces all kinds of enlarged glands, goiters and wens and is used exclusively in many large factories as an unerring first aid to the injured antiseptic. Health's Drug Store, West Side Pharmacy can supply you.

Adv.

Advertisement for Fisk Tires featuring an illustration of a child with a tire and the text 'Time to Re-tire?' and 'FOR SALE BY THE AUTO SUPPLY CO. N. BARTLETT ST.'

You Can Save

If you never have, you can now. Send for your Government's New Free Book which shows you how to accumulate money safely through Treasury Savings Certificates. Send for your copy today and take the first step towards independence and success.

Form to request a free book: 'HOW OTHER PEOPLE GET AHEAD'. Includes fields for Name, Address, City, Department, and State.

Advertisement for Hubbard Brothers Coaster Wagons. Features an illustration of a wagon and text: 'Special on Coaster Wagons While present stock lasts From \$7.60 to \$8.50 Steel wheels, steel gear and roller bearing REAL BARGAINS Hubbard Brothers'

Advertisement for The Medford National Bank. Text: 'THE INDIVIDUALITY OF SERVICE OF THIS REAL HOME BANK —will be a sustaining factor —in your greater development —today'

Advertisement for Eastman Kodaks and Brownie Cameras. Text: 'Eastman Kodaks and Brownie Cameras Eastman Films We Develop Films Free West Side Pharmacy THE "RETAIL" STORE'

Advertisement for Coast Tires. Text: 'COAST TIRES "WEAR DEFIERS" Made in the West for Western Roads. We personally guarantee, and will adjust them right here. Our square liberal treatment and high quality products should induce you to make our station your station. Veedol and Quaker State Oils Associated and Shell Products Monogram Mobile Oils We Alemite and Grease Your Car Armory Service Station Pacific Highway at Jackson St, Medford, Oregon Armstrong & Wolff'

Advertisement for Petty's Tire Shop. Text: 'New Tires for Old before you start on your summer camping trip, let us look over your tires. We take your old ones as part payment on new ones. Gates and Goodrich Tires Petty's Tire Shop "More Miles at Half the Cost" 32 So. Riverside Phone 162-R'

Advertisement for Trowbridge Cabinet Works and H.W. Conger Undertaker. Text: 'SPRING TIME NECESSITIES WINDOW SCREENS—DOOR SCREENS Files are a menace to health and happiness. They are a nuisance and should be kept out of the home. Order your screens now. Our prices are right, quality the best. CEDAR CHESTS—Store away your winter furs, bedding, woolens, etc., in one of our "Pacific" Cedar Chests and they will be free from Moths, Dust and Vermin. Many sizes in stock. TROWBRIDGE CABINET WORKS 10th and Grape Phone 238 WOOD H. W. CONGER UNDERTAKER We save you money on Manzanita, Oak, Fir and Pine. Call VAN FLEET, Phone 745-J Successor to Weeks-Conger Co. Medford, Ore.'