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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

There are days in the existence of
humans engaged in the nefarious
occupation of grinding out what you are
now gawking at, when the noodle will
not function, and there is nothing to
grind. It is now 10:31, and approxi-
mately 14 inches to go, as the Ford
rattles, and the crowd files. But there
is a shortage of quips, and the jest
dies on the typewriter keys. And then
on the other hand, there are rare
times when the allotted task is con-
structed with the ease of erecting a
henhouse, where a better building
really ought to be.

In scurrying through a score or more
of state journals, most of whom are
still terrorized, there was gleaned no
thrilling item, with twisted words to
add to the gayety of the nations, ex-
cept one lone mention, in the Klamath
Falls Herald, to-wit:

Two young ladies stood on
Riverside near West Main yester-
day afternoon and shed their
clothes. One was entirely nude,
while the other was rapidly get-
ting that way.

Over this one might station the
caption:

THE DESERTED AVENUE

OR

THE HEAT IS INTENSE

Tomorrow is Mother's Day. There
is no political significance attached to
the observance of the occasion. Per-
haps you remember Charles Dickens'
"Tale of Two Cities," and Madame
LaFarge who never missed attendance
at a head decapitating function, and
there were plenty of them.

There are the cavortings of the
Chinese bandits. Once upon a time
two Chinamen, across the Pacific
ocean from their native haunts, went to
law for \$50. Learned counsel scolded
each other and the witnesses all after-
noon. The jury brought in a verdict
of \$50.75 for the plaintiff. The plain-
tiff later made the following final re-
port:

"Me ketchum sloventy-five scents.
Talker man ketchum sixty dollars.
Walkee fish! No saave!"

The country dances will all have
their doors swinging both ways to-
night, in view of the manner in which
the last one was conducted.

A press dispatch says:

Great Britain has issued a total
of 14,000,000 medals for service in
the World War. With them went
1800 miles of ribbon.

So much for the victors.

Doubt and villains still hold forth,
viz:

(SALEM CAPITAL JOURNAL)

Dear Mary:

I went to a dancing party last
night at the home of a rather too
gay young widow living in Salem.
There were several out of town
men there and I think that some-
one must have put a little some-
thing into our fruit punch. I don't
remember very well about the last
part of the party but I drank quite
a few glasses of the punch and I
think it was pretty late when one
of the men brought me home in
his car. Dear Plain Mary, did I
do wrong? DEBUTANTE.

If a man can be found to run against
him, which is highly improbable, Sen-
ator McNary of this state, will face a
battle to return to Washington, D. C.
Never again will the intelligent voters
vote like sheep, and get a shepherd.

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 gener-
ations 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.

THE TRUTH ABOUT TAXES.

THE OREGON VOTER has performed a genuine service to the
people of this state, by a statistical analysis of the tax situa-
tion.

During the last campaign, and subsequently, the statement has
been repeatedly made that Oregon is the worst tax-ridden state in
the country. Such talk has injured the state seriously. The Oregon
Voter shows such statements to be absolutely false.

The tax increase in Oregon from 1912 to 1921 was much less than
the average increase among the states in the union,—in fact only
one state, New York, has held down taxation as well as this one.

The increase in Oregon for example was 96 per cent, while the
average increase of 36 states was 144 per cent. In Washington the in-
crease was 101 per cent; in Idaho, 207 per cent; Utah and Montana,
182 per cent; California, 142 per cent, and Wyoming, 324 per cent.

The Oregon Voter also shows that only 13 1-2 per cent of the taxes
this year are for state purposes, 86 1-2 being for county and local
purposes, and over 95 per cent of the property taxes were voted by
the people, or levied by the various localities for local improvements.

In Jackson county the report shows the total county and local
tax to be \$1,037,872, the state tax \$242,096 or a total of \$1,279,968.
In other words over 80 per cent of the tax is the local tax, less than
19 per cent a state tax.

From this report it is again clearly demonstrated how little any
legislature or governor can do in the business of tax reduction. When
it is realized, moreover, that nearly 40 per cent of the local taxes are
for schools, and nearly 15 per cent for roads, that we still need more
and better schools and more and better roads, the futility of expect-
ing any radical reduction in taxes unless we are willing to go back-
wards as a community, becomes an indisputable and unavoidable fact.

Quill Points

When a man says there is no use discussing a thing because it's
settled, he means he is afraid discussion will unsettle it.

Among other bonds that can't be depended on in time of financial
stress are the bonds of matrimony.

Still, if the doctors make an end of all incurable diseases, how
will rich men get out of the penitentiary?

A news story says many Russians are planning to leave their
country for good, but it doesn't say whose good.

What we need, apparently, is a foreign policy that will let us share
in the oils without sharing in the broils.

Uncle Sam wonders wistfully why Europe doesn't think less about
the balance of power and more about the balance due.

It must be a great strain on statesmen to do Chautauqua lectur-
ing, where they can't extend their remarks in the Record.

Correct this sentence: "These biscuit," said the groom, as they
began their first meal at home "are the finest I ever tasted."

The motives of men are mixed and it may be that the Klan was or-
ganized in the cotton belt to promote the use of cotton sheeting.

Sports

BIG LEAGUE TEAMS
ARE RUNNING TRUE
TO EXPECTED FORM

NEW YORK, May 12.—The official
standing of the National League clubs
including games of Friday was an-
nounced today by President Heydler
as follows:

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	17	6	.739
Pittsburg	12	10	.545
St. Louis	13	11	.542
Chicago	11	11	.500
Boston	10	11	.476
Cincinnati	10	12	.455
Brooklyn	8	13	.381
Philadelphia	7	14	.333

CHICAGO, May 12.—The official
standing of the American League in-
cluding games of May 11 follow:

	W.	L.
New York	13	7
Detroit	12	10
Cleveland	12	10
Philadelphia	10	9
Washington	9	10
St. Louis	9	12
Chicago	8	11
Boston	7	12

CHICAGO, May 12.—(By Associated
Press.) As the major league baseball
season nears the end of its fourth
week, all the pre-opening predictions,
with a slight reservation on the Phila-
delphia Athletics in the American and
on the Cincinnati Reds in the National,
are holding truer to form than in
many years.

The New York Yankees are being
fought desperately by Cleveland and
Detroit for leadership in the junior
circuit and the New York Giants are
out in front in the National with Pitts-
burg leading the wake. The failure
of the Chicago White Sox might be
taken as a failure of the experts, but
predictions concerning the Sox were
largely hedged by "ifs."

Pittsburg comes to the Polo grounds
today with a chance to shorten the
lead of the Giants. The Robins won
yesterday 7 to 6.

The Giants have lost only six of
their 23 games. They defeated the
Chicago Cubs in two out of three
games, taking the rubber game, 7 to 4.

The Boston Braves shook off the
jinx of the one-run margin losses by
trimming Cincinnati 5 to 4. Detroit
now has the opportunity to do what
Cleveland failed to do this week by
trimming the Yankees.

The Tigers trimmed the Yankees.
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The Philadelphia Athletics lost the
final game to the Browns, 14 to 3.
Boston and Chicago were prevented
from playing by rain.

HARRY HEILMAN IS
LEADING BATTERS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

CHICAGO, May 12.—(By the As-
sociated Press.)—The race for the
1923 batting championship of the
American league is on today with
Harry Heilmann, the Detroit slugger
in the van with an average of .500
and Glenn Myatt, Cleveland's new
\$30,000 catcher, in second place with
.393.

The figures include games of
Wednesday, but Heilmann's average
was acquired in sixteen games;
whereas Myatt only participated in
ten.

Eddie Collins, star second baseman
with the White Sox, who, the experts
say, is slowing up, responded to this
criticism by taking the lead in base
stealing with seven, the lead in sac-
rifice hitting with 8, and is reposing
in the select class of .399 hitters.
Rube Ruth is leading in scoring, regis-
tering 11 times in 19 games.

Other leading batters for ten or
more games:

Collins, Detroit .388; Burns, Boston,
.385; Veach, Detroit, .378; Spenger,
Cleveland, .377; S. Rice, Washington,
.365; Jamieson, Cleveland, .364; E.
Collins, Chicago .354; Miller, Phila-
delphia, .348; Williams, St. Louis,
.333; Riechle, Boston .333.

Bill Southworth, star outfielder
with the Braves, is anchored at the
top of the National league hitters
with an average of .448. Charley
Grimm, Pittsburgh's sensational first
baseman is the runner up with .432.

Rogers Hornsby of the Cardinals,
1922 batting champion, is in fourth
position with a mark of .405, while
the veteran Zack Wheat of Brooklyn,
is hitting .424 in third place. Horns-
by has scored the greatest number of
runs, having counted 26 times.

Sammy Bohne of the Reds leads in
stolen bases with 7. Leading batters
in ten or more games:

Frisch, New York, .040; Mueller,
St. Louis .400; Gooch, Pittsburg,
.400; Bottomley, St. Louis .378; Flack,
St. Louis .375; Hartnett, Chicago,
.370; Traynor, Pittsburg, .367; Wil-
liams Philadelphia, .363.



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