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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.

Second Lieutenant Wood, stationed
in the Philippines with his Dad, General
Wood, made \$800,000 in Wall
Street stocks, but lost his job as second
lieutenant.

Santa Claus is a fine old fellow,
and the best thing he does is to bring
high-powered rifles to a 15-year-old
boy, who is apt to shoot himself, an
innocent bystander, or a notch-tailed
woodpecker.

The county may have to open a
couple of saloons, to avoid bankruptcy
enforcing the Prohibition law.

The self-glorified Ku Klux Klan,
that was going to make over Mankind,
in its hallowed shirttail, is now yelling
for repair work on itself. The
graft has petered out, and besides, the
pressure from an outraged public
opinion was too much. The leaders
have the money, the politicians have
the jobs, and the bumper crop of
suckers have a mask and nightgown,
the chosen few, splinters in their hands
from packing wood for fiery crosses
on steep hillides.

ANOTHER FORD INSULT
(Yreka Journal)
Mrs. H. Harper and children of
Cricket Flat drove into town Saturday
with their hay burners.

A LADY TALKS
The sorrel mare I bought the kid
for Christmas, broke its leg, and had
to be killed to end its suffering. His
Uncle John sent him a pair of hair
pants. He's a cattleman from Miles
City, Montana, where men still grow
up with the back on. The little rascal
gave 'em a haircut. That new hatcher
is named Kittie. She spells it
K-i-t-t-y-e. I couldn't misspell my
given name if I wanted to, and it's
pretty hard to take. She makes me
think of the heroine in "Under the
Sidewalks of Chinatown." Have to
wait till February to get her finish.
Look at the pose she's hit. Actually
don't know enough to smile, and
make the guest forget the ham is
cut thinner than usual. I get so dis-
gusted sometimes, I feel like brushing
up my shorthand and going back in a
law office. I would, but you're liable
to get shot for being too good looking,
by the party of the first part. When
you're hashing you get your bad
stories fresh, and, if you're a stenog-
rapher, you've got to wait till the boss
goes downtown, and gets back. It's the
bunk. I took my first chew of gum
in a law office. We're going to have
a new year. A fellow was in yesterday
who didn't want to know where the
last one had gone. They never come
back. I'm thinking some of getting a
cheekered dress to match my career.
The first look, I thought she had a
roll of greenbacks in her sock, and
then I saw it was a package of
cigarettes. So I walks over and says:
"Put down your dress; you're a big
girl now." And she says, "Thanks.
Did that come up natural, or did I
pull it up?" And then I said, "No
matter, you're lucky." And so we're
friends now.

I'VE LAID THEM DOWN
"Well, I am done. My nerves were on
the rack.
I've laid them down today.
It was the last straw broke the cam-
el's back.
I've laid that down today.
No, I'll not fume, nor fret, nor fuss,
nor fight.
I'll walk by faith a bit, and not by
sight.
I think the World will work all right.
I've laid it down today.
The dread of sorrows I may have to
sup.
I'll lay that down today.
The circumstance which rubbed me
wrong way up.
I'll lay that down today.
It will not matter in the age to come
Whether I sucked the stone or had
the plum.
But it will make a difference to some
If I keep nice today."
(From Poetry.)

FLORENCE, Ore., Dec. 24.—(To
the Editor)—I am taking this way to
thank those who assisted me in the
recent hunt for the men who robbed
the bank at Florence and those who
were connected with it, as I think it
will reach all and not just those I can
see personally.—(Eugene Register.)
Sweeping praise.

A NEW JAIL NEEDED.

To the Editor:

This escape from the city jail shows how badly the city needs a new one. Not only is the present jail unsanitary and unsafe, but it is a great disgrace to the city, which should be corrected. Just imagine what any distinguished visitor would say if he asked to see our jail accommodations. He would never imagine Medford to be one of the best little cities in the country in other respects. Build a new jail, it wouldn't cost much and would be a good investment.

JOHN B. ALDEN,
Medford, Dec. 27.

THE "distinguished visitor" reference above strikes a new note. The real danger however, does not appear to be precisely as our correspondent describes it. In fact, we never have known a distinguished visitor to ask to inspect the city jail, and we believe this hazard might be safely disregarded, in the future.

But how about the distinguished visitor who does not ask to see the jail but is forced by our efficient police force to do so. Oregon has so many laws now, and promises to have so many more in the future, that the danger of visitors becoming involuntary law violators is a real one.

The distinguished visitor may, for example, be a disciple of that California professor who declares the cigaret to be the most harmless form of tobacco, and enter our city not only smoking one, but proclaiming its virtues.

That would be cigaret advertising. True there is no law against advertising cigarets now, but Governor Pierce says there soon will be. Undoubtedly in a very short time to praise a cigaret in this state will mean a jail sentence.

Or the distinguished visitor may be a follower of Theodore Roosevelt and believe in sending his children to a preparatory school. In a short time now, that will make him, in Oregon, guilty of a misdemeanor.

Or he may be a butter-milk drinker, and drink a flagon in Ashland. Senator Moses declares buttermilk violates the Volstead law.

And so one might continue. The tourist travel is increasing tremendously, Medford's reputation as a progressive and delightful city is growing daily, and the approach of Pavlova undoubtedly heralds a long line of distinguished visitors.

Why run the risk of spoiling all this free advertising, by neglecting a jail, which any distinguished visitor may be called upon to inhabit. Of course the precise changes must be left to the civic promotion experts. But we would suggest accommodations which would compare favorably at least with Medford's auto camp. A large picture of Crater Lake in colors on one wall would, needless to say, be a desirable feature.

So we commend Mr. Alden's suggestion, and promptly refer it to the proper authorities with power to act.

QUILL POINTS

China has many titles of courtesy, including "President."

Every married man knows how a king feels as nominal head of a state that has a dictator.

The check boy may seem a pirate, but just think what it will cost those whose hats are in the ring.

The front porch may seem a little dull on Sunday, but it never turns turtle.

It's nice to have the children at home for the holidays. One gets to spend three or four minutes with them.

That rum runner who made a fortune in six months won't have a chance to spend much of it for two years.

And so they have discovered a cure for rheumatism. Now how will people in rural sections know what the weather is going to do?

It works out the same way in the long run. If the nations won't reduce their armies for themselves, they will do it for one another.

The coach-and-four was a big thing in its day, but it never got the newspaper space of the modern coach and eleven.

Sentiment is the quality that makes a woman prize the article she selects in exchange for the gift you send her.

It is almost impossible for a congress to keep its nose on the grindstone, while keeping its ear on the ground.

Humans are funny. A man may be a knave and remain a gentleman, but if he eats with his knife he is vulgar.

Correct this sentence: "If you don't mind" remarked the man. "I'll take a nap while you are filling the tooth."



THE OIL GAME.

SO MANY OIL promoters are jaunting off to jail, the face should teach all voters to freeze tight to their kale, to dodge the gay prospectus, with promises all vain, allurements to deflect us from pathways safe and sane. Still stands the honest banker between the village pumps, and with no heat or rancor he tells us we are chumps. "You read the daily papers, you find those papers full of tales of sinful capers the blithe promoters pull. You read about their journeys to cell and calaboose, while divers learned attorneys attempt to get them loose. And still you blow your shillings, and spend the hard earned cash, to pay for bootless drillings of wells that never gush. Oh, come to me for counsel, and of your German marks I promise you no quene'll be fed to soulless sharks." A score of oil promoters who used to dance and sing have lately been the toters of menacles that eling. We see them going jailward, their whiskers wet with tears, and in a dark and stale ward they'll spend some weary years. And many more are headed for penitential hall, where oakum heaps are shredded, and rocks are broken small. They're headed for a Tophet remote from joy and bliss; and will we suckers profit from contemplating this?

LAUREL GRAY LOVE GOSIP

THE GREATEST THING IN THE
WORLD

by Laurel Gray

Steady!
There is a right way and a wrong way to do everything. Hold yourself steady when you play at the love game. So many sad mistakes are



registered by in-
decision, by men
and women who
dare not cross their
bridges, nor dare
they burn their
bridges behind them.
Too many lovers leap
before they leap,
and then after
looking, leap the
wrong way. How
many hearts are
scarred and
scattered because
the mortal mind wouldn't accept its
just and proper responsibility? What
I mean is this: All love associations
should be inspired by the heart but
they should be disciplined and governed
to a certain degree by the mind.
Unbridled passions and undisciplined
attachments never succeed. The most
wonderful love associations in the
world are those between the com-
monplace folks who take their ex-
pressions of love calmly and sensibly.
Oh, yes, I know that a lot of you
will immediately leap into the air and
cry shrilly that I have frequently
taken the opposite pole to this en-
gaging proposition. But that is one of
the advantages of writing about my
delightful subject. This is written on
Tuesday. Tomorrow is Wednesday.
Sometimes my Tuesday position is
much more sensible than my position
on Wednesday. But then, I'm human
and the subject upon which I write
offers me such a wide latitude, don't
you think?

Abe Martin



It must occur to most anybody
that the real principal
trouble the government is havin'
in enforcing prohibition may be
attributed directly to the fact that
nobody seems to want it en-
forced. Cruisers are cut out
all bunkola the comin' season,
but we're allus too tired to stay
for the concert anyhow.

COMMUNICATIONS

Settle School Injunction.
To the Editor: I think that the
people of Medford should know the
facts regarding the stopping of work
on the Jackson school by the tem-
porary injunction allowed by Judge
Thomas.

When I accepted a contract for the
completion of this building, I consid-
ered that the action of the trustees
was legal and I still believe that the
state law gave them full authority to
repair or complete any building the
construction of which had been
authorized by the people. If this
authorization had not been obtained,
it would have been impossible to
float the bonds at the time the build-
ing was erected.

If injunctions had been served pre-
venting the payment of school money
for the erection of a new building on
the Washington school grounds and
the purchase of the hall park, I would
not have been surprised as I believe
that a vote of the people is necessary
for the purchase of real estate and
erection of new buildings.

I entered into the contract in good
faith and rushed the work with all
possible speed in order to have the
rooms ready when the school year
commenced. The people behind the
injunction allowed the work to pro-
ceed until practically completed be-
fore serving the papers and they seem
willing to acknowledge that they
really wanted to see the building com-
pleted.

Apparently the real purpose of the
action was to prevent the school trust-
ees from using the Jackson building
as a junior high. It was apparently
deemed necessary to include the con-
struction question in order to have a
plausible excuse to apply for an in-
junction.

Judge Thomas refused to hear
arguments on the temporary injunc-
tion which he had allowed and appar-
ently no other judge has consented
to hear the case as the matter has
been pending for over three months
and seems to be as far from a final
settlement as ever.

I have no desire to mix in the petty
squabbles of the school district but I
feel that I have been unjustly treated.
The district owes me \$202.23, much of
which represents claims against me
for material, plumbing and painting
which I am doing my best to pay.

I claim that immediate action
should be taken to try the injunction
on its merits. Rival factions contend-
ing for control, should not be per-
mitted to disrupt the school district,
and saddle financial loss upon one who
has performed public service legally
and in good faith.

I believe that the fair minded
people of Medford will see the justice
of my position and demand fair play.
ELMER CHILDERS,
230 S. Central, Medford.

Personal Health Service

By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.
Noted Physician and Author

The blank or form for the periodic
physical examination of apparently
healthy persons, as prepared by the
Council of Health and Public In-
struction, of the American Medical

Association, goes
into questions such
as the nature of oc-
cupation and the
conditions surround-
ing it, your home
conditions, whether
they are quiet or
irritating, whether
you sleep with win-
dows open, how
many hours you
sleep, whether you
eat between meals,
how much butter,
how much candy, how much water
you drink, whether you have the
physic habit, your daily exercise, what
you have to worry about, how are you
chewing, why don't you go to church,
and a lot more intimate questions.

It has spaces to note whether you
are protected against smallpox, ty-
phoid fever and diphtheria.

It asks about your latest visit to
your dentist and what he did to you.
Have you lost any of your parents,
brothers or sisters.

It has a list of a dozen popular
diseases.

It is very curious indeed about your
dietary habits.

Skipping gracefully over the ques-
tions you are asked we get to the
business part of the examination.

The periodic physical examination of
the apparently healthy devotes
particular consideration to the state
of the glands and the functional tests.

A physician prepared to make these

periodic health assurance inventories
for private clients must be equipped
with these articles:

Tape measure.
Tongue depressors.
Spotlight.
Stethoscope.
Sphygmomanometer.
Otoscope.
Laryngeal mirror.
Hemoglobin scale.
Nasal speculum.
Something to ring.
Tuning fork.
Reflex hammer.
Gauze mask.
Vision chart (eye test type).
Rubber gloves or finger cots.
Vaginal speculum.
Weight scales.
Chemicals and apparatus for meas-
uring specific gravity of the urine and
testing for albumin and sugar.

Thermometer.
Centrifuge.
Microscope.
Wassermann tubes.
Ophthalmoscope.
Dynamometer.
Flash pencil.
The flesh pencil is necessary for
the doctor to put his O. K. on the
client's stomach if it is so.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Sagging

Does sitting in an office all day typ-
ing, etc., ever cause a sagging of the
bowel and lower organs, causing a
bearing down feeling? I notice I do
not have this when I am out of the
office for any length of time. (M. L.)

Answer—A sedentary habit tends
to relax the abdomen and the general
muscles of support and to favor sag-

ging or slumping. But you can coun-
teract this by devoting about 15 min-
utes a day to suitable setting up exer-
cises such as the Brady Symphonny.

How Much Water to Drink
Kindly inform me how much water
one should drink a day. I have been
drinking seven glasses regularly, in-
cluding two cups of coffee, one cup of
tea and a plate of soup. Is that too
much fluid; would it be likely to
cause high blood pressure? (Mrs.
G. F.)

Answer—No; it is all right and will
not cause high blood pressure.

Ben Todd Still Busy
We have been told it is unwise to
remove tonsils under the age of 5
years. Our boy, aged 4, has enlarged
tonsils, and the only time they seem
inflamed is when a croup attack oc-
curs. We were told to spray them
often with a DeVilbiss atomizer con-
taining an alcohol and iodine solution,
which will in time shrink them. . . .
(Mrs. K. H. W.)

Answer—Better refer Ben to the
males, and be guided by your physi-
cian's advice. It is not unwise to re-
move diseased tonsils from a child
under the age of 5. The tonsil in-
flammation is more likely the cause,
than an effect, of the boy's "croup
attacks." In most cases of recurring
croup diseased tonsils or adenoids are
present; their removal often puts an
end to the croup.

Women Should Ride
I have been told that doctors con-
sider it dangerous for a woman to
take up horseback riding after 35.
Kindly give your opinion. (G. B.)

Answer—Go on and learn to ride.
You'll be dead a long time.

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for those who demand the best.

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217 E. Main Medford

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PREPARATORY

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While preparing for our ANNUAL
JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE we
will put a large quantity of winter mer-
chandise on sale at special prices that
you cannot afford to pass up.

Overcoats

\$25

Regular \$35.00 all wool
Overcoats. In all the late
styles and shapes. We still
have about 75 of these.

Overcoats

\$15

Good heavy coats, made with
belt all around or across
back. Dark and light color.
Worth \$20.00.



\$37

Vogue Overcoats, tailored at Rochester
Sold regularly from \$40 to \$45

\$37

Sweaters

Regular \$3.75 Coat Sweaters,
\$3.35

Regular \$5.00 value, 4-pocket
sweaters \$4.19

Pull Over Sweaters, \$9.00
values \$6.95

Brushed Wool Sweaters,
\$9.00 value \$6.95

Night Wear

Flannelette Pajamas, \$2.75
value \$2.39

Flannelette Night Shirts,
\$2.00 value \$1.48

Faultless Night Shirts, \$2.50
value \$1.98

Men's Underwear

Regular \$1.50 quality, Cot-
ton Union Suits \$1.19

Heavy weight, \$1.75 quality
Union Suits \$1.48

Augusta \$2.50 Cotton Union
Suits \$1.98

Heavy Wool and Cotton
Union Suits, \$3.50 value
\$2.98

Boys' Wear

\$1.25 value Flannel Shirts,
\$1.00

Boy's Sweaters, \$2.75 and
\$2.98 values \$2.48

Boys' Union Suits, sold at
\$1.50 regularly \$1.29

Flannel Shirts

Medium heavy Cotton Flan-
nel Shirts \$1.48

Heavy Wool and Cotton
Shirts, \$3.50 value \$2.98

Pendleton, all wool shirts,
\$4.75 value \$3.98

Dress Shirts

One lot of Shirts. Sold regu-
larly at \$1.50 \$1.19

One lot sold regularly at
\$1.75 and \$2.00 \$1.35

One lot sold regularly at
\$2.50 to \$3.00 \$1.95

Work Pants, Corduroy or
Moleskin \$3.48

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for Men

\$6.95

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Medford, Oregon

Mackinaws
for Boys

\$5.95