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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

State income tax blanks are being
received, amid prolonged cheering,
interpersed with fervent hallooings.

Sanity has returned to Russia with
the death of Lenin, but Russia has
no elections coming up.

Money, spondulicks, coin of the
realm, rhino, wampum, genario, the
long green and round yellow, and the
wherever, was never so plentiful in
high reform and political circles as
now. There is the sad case of Mr.
Pall, and, maybe, et al., who received
cash in hand, seasonally and un-
wisely, to the tune of \$100,000, and
the end is not yet. Several promising
careers will be slightly frazzled at the
edges, when the hubbub has subsided.
Then there is the case of Mr. William
H. Anderson, head of the Anti-Saloon
League, and inventor of the peering
system, for the removal of public of-
ficials, who balk at giving an in-
stitution a piece of putty at the orga-
nization's royal bidding. Mr. Anderson
received \$25,000 in a New York hotel,
under circumstances that border on the
miraculous, and savors of the
bounty of the fairies. A stranger
came to his table, aquiline, talked
awhile, nibbled at a sandwich, handed
Mr. Anderson \$25,000 in neatly fold-
ed bills, and then skinned out for
parts unknown—"mauna from on
high." The receiver of said cash is on
trial—political enemies are after him
—and the defendant admits getting it,
but pleads good luck, which is no
crime. Such being the case, it is a
shame Mr. Anderson does not bust the
bank at Monte Carlo. With his horse-
shoe he could do it.

CHANGED BY PIERCE
(From Lincoln's Speeches)

Forget not, I pray you, the
right of personal freedom. Self-
government is the foundation of
all our political and social insti-
tutions. Seek not to enforce upon
your brother by legislative enact-
ment the virtue that he can pos-
sess only by the dictates of his
own conscience and the energy of
his will.

The wind that blew Fri. passed
thru the valley today, on the way
back to where it came from.

Shelby, Mont., wants to stage an-
other Dempsey-Gibbons fight, and
the republican convention should be held
at Ruch, if the new road is finished
in time.

LIQUOR CONSUMED BY BOYS
STAGGERS ATTORNEY—(Hidline
Chico, Cal., Enterprise). Quite a wal-
lop to the stuff.

OR, GADDDING RAMPANT
(Eugene Register)

Days of springlike warmth and
sunshine during the week just
passed have awakened a sudden
impetus in almost every direction.

The first contingent of robbed farm-
ers, wintered in sunny, wicked Cali-
fornia have returned, and are alleging
they would not give the Eagle Point
district for Los Angeles.

The nine year old boy evangelist,
is trumpeted by the 11 year old girl
evangelist, who should be playing
with her dolls.

The first bootlegger of the cam-
paign has been run to earth.

The corner at Main Stem and Bear-
side, has not contracted unexpectedly,
throwing a drinking fountain into the
radiator of a passing car, for 10 days.

SOCIETY EDITRESS III
A woman giving the name of J. C.
Jones, who is reported to be one of
the social leaders of the city and
claiming to reside at 1743 Capital Hill
avenue, is said to have given what
purported to be a reception yesterday
afternoon. It is understood that a
considerable number of so-called
guests, reported to be ladies notorious
in society circles, were present, and
some of them are quoted as saying
they had enjoyed the occasion. It is
charged that Flower furnished the
alleged refreshments and Stringham
the purported music. The hostess is
said to have worn a necklace of al-
lured pearls which she declares was
given to her by her reputed husband.
—(Topeka, Kan., Capital)

VERBAL INTOXICATION.

THE TROUBLE with Governor Pierce is that he frequently be-
comes intoxicated. Not on moonshine, but on the "exuberance
of his own verbosity."

Such was the case the other day in Portland, when Mr. Pierce
proceeded to reverse himself, on the special prosecutor issue, and then
amazed all his hearers by scrapping the Constitution, the Bill of
Rights and the Anglo-Saxon system of jurisprudence,—quite a mouth-
ful, as they say.

Even the Portland Journal, Governor Pierce's staunchest sup-
porter, was horrified at such "bald-faced" anarchy, and as is shown
in another column, gave their favorite son a terrific dressing down.

But while the Journal perhaps has just cause to be indignant, it
has no cause to be surprised. It must be familiar with the governor's
besetting weakness, which is meaning things he fails to say, and say-
ing things he doesn't mean.

Unless we are much mistaken, Governor Pierce will reverse him-
self on this "home and castle" issue, as he has reversed himself on
so many others. Knowing that Oregon is overwhelmingly dry and
that all good citizens are for law enforcement, our fluent and genial
chief executive could not resist the temptation to indulge in one of
his oratorical flights, loop the emotional loop, and in his exuberance
forget all about one of the first rules of prudent political aviation,
which is not to favor lawlessness in the business of law enforcement.

As has frequently happened before, Walter took a nose dive. He
woke up next day somewhat shaken, vaguely grieved, but determined
as soon as opportunity offers, to explain, that he did not mean to say
what he did say; that he yields to no man in his reverence for the
constitution and the sanctity of the home; but that he wants the dry
law enforced and it is up to the state to enforce it,—legally of course.

So there you are. There is nothing to be surprised about. Govern-
or Pierce has done these same things before and will do them again.
One must make allowances.

In fact, the Portland Journal might as well become reconciled to
the fact that it will be subjected to similar embarrassments, until
there is a Volstead Act, making verbal intoxication a crime.

Then of course, Mr. Pierce, like all good citizens, will see that the
law is both observed and enforced.

Portland Journal Roundly Scores
Pierce for His "Dry" Speech

A Spy System?

Speaking to the district attorney,
Governor Pierce said:

Keep your houses in such order

that you will be glad to welcome

inspectors at any time.

What inspectors? To inspect what?

Inspectors who look for booze where

there is no booze? Is it to be not only

a guilty man's house but an innocent

man's house?

"Welcome" what kind of inspec-

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used by Mr. Cleaver? "Welcome"

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one of Mr. Cleaver's "inspectors?"

What is a home if inspectors can

enter it, ransack the premises, rum-

mage the rooms, bully women, make

women get out of bed in their night

clothes and dress in the presence of

intruders, and going to the extent of

making indecent proposals to women,

as is of record in testimony in the

courts of Portland?

There is one case in which an in-

spector, not a state agent, as testified

in a Portland court, committed an act

too filthy to print, and did it with

the badge of authority on his breast

and with a commission as a dry offi-

cer in his pocket. Are these "inspec-

tors," regardless of whether they are

decent or indecent, to have unlimited

latitude in entering houses, and be

made welcome?

There is a great deal that "inspec-

tors" have done that Governor Pierce

doesn't know about. Some of them

have committed perjury in order to

get search warrants on which to enter

homes in which there was no booze

and never was any booze. With big

revolvers strapped to them and with

stars on their breasts, they have posed

as wealthy cattlemen down from east-
ern Oregon for a good time, and
which that lie on their lips have enticed
decent houses and insured decent
women. They have gone into dry
homes on lying affidavits and outdone
Russian gangsters in their display
of authority and their indulgence in
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Personal Health Service

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

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or
treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped, self addressed envelope is enclosed.
Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received, only
a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions.
Address Dr. William Brady, in care of this newspaper.

A Competent Physician.

A reader eager to deliver her mes-
sage beats me to the pulpit this morn-
ing, but I don't mind, for here I can
avail myself of the rare satisfaction of
having the last word in a conver-
sation with a woman. She writes:
"Perhaps you will allow one of your
readers to turn the tables and offer
suggestions to the doctor. This is
one of the cases where it is impos-
sible to be brief."

(There are approximately 57,000,000
such cases in the United States. * *
Ed.) I have been the victim of in-
competency in the past and have only
recently learned what competency is
in a physician. I believe, Dr. Brady,
that you can do more for people's
health by getting into their heads
what constitutes a competent physi-
cian and how to distinguish him among
the incompetents in the healing pro-
fession than anything else.

"I am going to suggest this method
of recognizing a competent physician,
the method having in view the fact
that a great number of patients have
been thoroughly misled by incompetents
and are consequently doctor shy to a
degree, and further that they do not
have the facilities for ascertaining a
physician's qualifications which physi-
cians have in respect to each other."

"First, the man must be a gradu-
ate of a certain grade or class of
school; you should publish a list of
the medical schools which are in the
grade A class. Second, in general, he
should have been graduated within
the last 20 years. I suggest this re-
striction to insure a modern training
in medicine. Of course, there are
many perfectly competent physicians
who were graduated more than 20
years ago and who have kept abreast
of the progress of medical science by
continuing their studies, by taking
active part in the medical society af-
fairs in their communities and by
honest, scientific study of their own
cases in practice. But you are aware
that the average patient needs some
means to assure himself that his physi-
cian is up to date and is readily de-
ceived in this matter by charlatans.

And because many patients are
doctor shy from the money standpoint,
I'd suggest that the competent physi-
cian should make no charge for his
services from the moment he finds a
case requires long study or expensive
treatment until success has been
achieved, and that he so inform the
patient at the outset. Although many
patients are so sold on physicians that
at least on certain physicians that
they are quite willing to go ahead
with any kind of treatment, and un-
dergo any amount of groping
special examinations on the usual
basis. But my suggestion is rather
for those who think the doctor wants
the operation principally for what it
will add to his coffers and not for the
benefit of his patient, and for such, I
submit, it is most necessary to re-
establish confidence in the integrity of
the profession."

Reversing the customary procedure
of the profession, I will now contrib-
ute an appendix.
Taking our correspondent's third
and last (and most painful) sugges-
tion first, let me ask you, and do tell
me, who will pay the rent and stove
off the grocer, the butcher and the
radio equipment dealer while the doc-
tor is absorbed in a six months' study

of a complicated case? Grocers, et al.,
are most accommodating folk, but I
haven't found one yet who will keep
me supplied with goods on a contin-
gent or indefinitely deferred payment
arrangement. A grocer assumes that
his crackers and cheese are good
goods and if I fail to derive energy,
warmth and satisfaction from them,
why, that is unfortunate but surely
not his fault. I think some grocers
have more common sense than some
doctors have.

The correspondent's first and sec-
ond suggestions are fine. I'll say with
reservations. Many a legally licensed
physician is utterly unfit and incom-
petent and untrustworthy even though
he be a regular graduate from the best
class A medical school in the list. Yes,
and some cord tics are not up to
standard. We'll have to adjourn the
case since die till we catch our breath
and decide on a polite answer.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

When to Stop Lying.

Please tell me what is the right age
to tell your children the truth about
life and its origin?—Mrs. K. M.

Answer—As soon as you think they
no longer need to be misinformed
about such a sacred matter. Some of
us think it is best to begin telling
the truth without any preliminary
period; others think it is better to
evade until the children are anywhere
from 9 to 16 years old and then try
to make them believe the truth. As
for the children themselves, when-
ever they express an opinion about it,
they seem to feel very strongly and
often with some resentment that it is
unfair to deceive them; every little
while some said one seems to warrant
that opinion. A mother should begin
telling her daughter the beautiful
story of life as soon as the child be-
gins to ask questions or evince natural
curiosity. A father should begin
teaching his son when the boy is 8 or
9 years old, for investigation has
shown that the average age at which
boys receive their first information of
copulation, perhaps at the hands of
vicarious or uninformed persons, is 9 1/2
years.

Chronic Pulmonary Disease.
What is the meaning of chronic and
pulmonary tuberculosis? Can a
chronic case become arrested? When
sputum is positive, must it be nega-
tive before the chronic case can be-
come arrested? What does open and
closed tuberculosis mean?—Mrs. S.
G. C.

Answer—Chronic means long en-
doring, as distinguished from acute
which means short and sharp. Pul-
monary means of or in the lungs. Most
lung tuberculosis is chronic; the
occasionally pulmonary tuberculosis
is acute like pneumonia. The ten-
dency is for chronic pulmonary tu-
berculosis to become arrested, pro-
vided the tendency is not altered by
unwise management, such as at-
tempting to do without medical at-
tendance. "Positive" means yes, tu-
bercle bacilli are found in the spu-
tum. When the disease is arrested of
course there should be no bacilli in
the sputum. "Negative." "Open" tu-
berculosis is a case where the germs
are being given off in the sputum;
"closed" tuberculosis is a case where
no germs are being given off—as in
an incipient or very early stage in
many instances. The disease is said
to be "active" when there are symp-
toms and physical signs (evidence
elicited by the medical examination)
of illness; inactive or "quiescent" or
"arrested" when such symptoms and
signs are no longer present and the
patient has regained good health.

"JUST TOWN TALK"

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IF YOU ever have

A REAL desire

TO KNOW just how

A SARDINE feels

JUST TAKE a jitney

FOR ASHLAND

SOME EVENING

THE OTHER night

I MADE the trip

AT THE corner of

MAIN AND Riverside

TWO NICE looking ladies

BOARDED THE jitney

FOUND STANDING room

AND AS we crossed

A ROUGH place

A SET of fingers

REAL WARM and soft

GRIPPED MY hand

WITH THE grip of one

TRYING TO maintain

THEIR EQUILIBRIUM

AND WITH true chivalry

I TIGHTENED my grasp

ON THE above warm fingers

AND SHE looked at me

AND TURNED crimson

AND LOOKED over

AT HER companion

AND SAID to me

QUITE APOLOGETICALLY

"OH, I'VE got

"THE WRONG hand"

AND I replied

WITH MUCH feeling

"OH, THAT'S all right

"HERE'S MY other one"

AND WHAT I'm trying

TO FIGURE out

IS WHY she complained

AND THREATENED

TO HAVE me arrested

I THANK you.

SAVE
THE TROUBLE OF
COFFEE MAKING—USE
Washington's Coffee

IT IS MADE
JUST DISSOLVE
AND DRINK IT.

A GREAT CONVENIENCE
AND OH, SO GOOD!

Abe Martin

By LAUREL GRAY
Noted Physician and Author

THE GREATEST THING IN THE
WORLD

Girls who pretend ought to be
slapped. Men who pretend ought to be
shot. I make the distinction in
punishments because I don't think it
polite to shoot a
lady, although I
see by the papers
that it is being
done. Girls who
pretend are neces-
sarily of care-
less moral fibre
even if, by tem-
perament, they
are really re-
frain from what
is mistaken for
love, but which,
after all is only
that odious set

of ready-made moods and phrases
and gestures we call sex-attraction.
How ugly that is! The natu-
ral flirt, in the