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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.

Between males who wear puttees,
and the males who wear spats the
innocent bystander favors short pants.

It's about time for a political
egotist, suffering from the delusion
that he can defeat Congressman W.
C. Hawley, to rare up.

Henry Ford is going to build a \$200
automobile. Sounds impossible.

SOUNDS PLAUSIBLE
(Portland Oregonian)

You could bank on them. No
one but the judge would have
admitted in 1921, when the Mc-
Credie administration was be-
coming unpopular, that opening-
day attendance had shrunk from
the 16,126 of 1913 to a mere
42,000, but the judge did.

MASH STILL—(Hillside Coos Bay
Times.) That's the proper combina-
tion.

About the only thing settled by
oratorical eruptions over fish, is to
confirm the allegation that all the
steelheads are not in the river.

The "ex-Grand Dragon of the
Beasts of Indiana," who impudently
boasted, "my word is law," when first
caught in a sordid crime, and now
awaiting trial in a cell, on a murder
charge, "hopes Justice will be done."
It looks like "Justice will be done,"
as the G. D. is beyond the aid of a
friendly judge, and a friendly jury,
and a well greased alibi, and comfort-
ing titling by the audience.

CURFEW AND A COWARD
(Los Angeles Examiner)

HUDSON, Miss.—Principal Chan,
A. Williams of the local high
school, today found thirty girl
pupils wearing tinkling bell gar-
ters. He ordered a woman teacher
to remove them, and announced
that the latest flapper fad
would be barred.

First returns indicate that 125 in
James, the enterprising Portland
burglar, who confesses 50 burglaries,
has not sufficient funds to go crazy
in a successful manner.

An unsightly shack has been re-
moved, revealing three more of the
same.

"You call us a bustling burk,"
shrieked an irate Eagle Pointer at
your cor. "And I haven't seen a
bustle there since Ben Harrison was
whipped."

"Lots of people at Copper now,"
said Mr. Charles Huff Thurn. "There's
six, not counting Knox McCoy and his
horse and colt."

No carnivals this year, eliminating
the practice of old men with whiskers
battling babes in arms, for the right
to get on the merry-go-round.

The first tank of the season was
run over in the rural garage district
on the 23rd.

IT IS VEXING
(Eldorado, Kas. Times)

This is the last time we are
going to warn the mail clerk on
the night trains about throwing
our mail under the trains. We
are sick and tired of asking for
our morning's mail and getting a
handful of confetti.

Portland won a ball game Tues-
day interfering before they could
lose it.

The automobile in which the Gold-
steins were riding was owned and
driven by M. C. Martin, a contractor,
of 450 East Lombard street. It was
a small sedan. Martin was in the
front seat. (Portland Oregonian.) Is
not that the place for the driver?

VISION
The practical man sees a small wood-
en box.
Strung tight with the gut of a cat.
On which you can scrape with the tail
of a horse.
There's nothing more to it than that.
Or, so he declares, and it's perfectly
true.
That's all that a vision seems.
Unless you have vision which leads
you to see.
A casket of loveliest dreams.
(Berton Bailey.)

WILL THERE BE A BALKAN WAR?

THERE is probably some connection between the financial
crisis in France and the military crisis in the Balkans.

For generations the Balkan volcano has been an active one, and
contrary to hopes of the Paris peace conference, the Versailles treaty
only cooled the crust, leaving the molten lava seething beneath.

According to Count Karolyi, who recently visited this country,
the government of Hungary is a militaristic one and Dictator
Horthy, is planning a war for the purpose of getting back the ter-
ritory lost to Rumania.

France with her military machine in excellent order, and her al-
liances on a practical war basis, presented an insurmountable ob-
stacle to any such design. But with one government fallen and
another one weak on its legs, France might well appear to Hun-
gary, in no shape to consider financing any military expedition out-
side of her own borders.

It is not improbable, therefore, that the Bolshevik explosion in
Bulgaria, which has already resulted in permission for that country
to increase her standing army beyond the limits allowed by the
Treaty of Versailles, has certain subterranean connections with
Budapest, and that the growing tension between Bulgaria and
Rumania, is a deep and sinister plan to throw the Balkans once
more into general conflict.

This view is supported by the strenuous effort of Bulgaria to
cancel all news from that country, and make the Sofia outbreak ap-
pear merely a local and insignificant disturbance.

That a Balkan war will, result however is highly improbable. In
spite of her domestic troubles, France must be keeping a sharp eye
upon her former enemies, and any serious development in the south-
west world, in spite of financial difficulties, be met by prompt and
vigorous action.

So this crisis like the others, since the close of the Great War,
promises to be successfully bridged, leaving the net result merely
another warning that the Balkans remain, as they have been for
a century, the chief menace to the continued peace of Europe.

QUILL POINTS

Education pays, unless you settle down to be an educator.

Another thing that encourages dreaming, is to have the boss
step out.

The next step in representative government is direct election of
lobbyists.

Snakeskin stockings on sweeties may at least encourage signing
the pledge.

The two chief aids to humility are pure religion and an empty
pocket.

Taxpayers are people who sold about assessments and never
think of the dividends.

There wouldn't be any hohsing problem, however, if all of the
law-breakers were in jail.

Delilah had finished using the shears on Samson. "That's the
way I want mine fixed," said she.

"The exercise of love keeps us from growing old." At any rate
it may work if you hug the driver.

The reason some preachers don't preach the old Gospel is because
they can't get much publicity that way.

FINE FIELD MEET IS
EXPECTED TOMORROW

The 11th annual track and field
meet of the Jackson County School
association, with 20 schools of the
county competing will be held at the
fair grounds tomorrow, and lasting
all day. The grounds are in the
best condition in years, and a large
crowd will be in attendance. Pack-
ing space has been arranged on the
higher spots for automobiles. Schools
are urged by Manager John Beeson,
to be on time, or lose by default.
John Rodda of the Cycle association
of America will talk for ten minutes
on "Safety First and the Depart-
ment of the Bicycle on the High-
ways."

JACKSONVILLE MUSEUM
TO BE OPENED MONDAY

The Jacksonville museum, in the
recently remodelled and repaired
U. S. Hotel will be opened Mon-
day to the public and workmen are
now putting the curios in shape. It
includes the Helms and Sargent col-
lections, and both are regarded as
among the best in the west. Already
tourists have called to see the ex-
hibits. The hotel itself is full of
historic interest, and in early days
was the social center of the Rogue
River valley. At the opening Mon-
day, there will be a general get-
together of the community, and
short talks by leading citizens of the
county seat.



THE EXECUTIONERS.

SOME ONE, in a foreign city, viewed the anguish of his wife,
and then, moved to depths of pity, gave her dope and
took her life. "Oh, she begged me and implored me," said he,
"for the final peace; she beseeched me till she bored me, and I
gave her soul release. It is better far to perish if your health
cannot come back; better slay the one you cherish than behold
her on the rack." He established quite a fashion when this
logic he exprest, and a dozen, without passion, shot the ones they
loved the best. It's the sort of maudlin chatter that inspires
the mildewed brain; law and justice do not matter to the mor-
bid and insane. Now the courts, our social pillars, must get
busy right away, and discourage all these killers who through
love and mercy slay. If the practice keeps on growing, by such
crazy talk inspired, we may all be found bestowing death on
those who make us tired. Some day I'll be heard remarking,
"I will shoot my Uncle Jim; his ignition isn't sparking, he has
spavins on each limb. It is sad to see him pouring liniment
upon his feet; it is fierce to hear him roaring so he jars the
village street." Law is getting vague and hazy, morals are
upon the run, and the old gray world is crazy when such things
are said and done.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE STORY.
THEY ARE GOOD

Not very long
1-2-3 Edward's
Grandmother said
she would bake
some spicy brown,
2-4-6-8-11-16-20
cookie men for him
if he would 14-18
to sleep like a good
boy.

When 28-30 was
time 30-31 take a
nap Grandma laid
little 16-17 down
5-10 his bed and
covered him up
with her soft 7-12
17-21-23-25-27-29-32
quilt. The quilt
was made from the
breast feathers of
the eider duck.

"How am I 19-
22-24-26 to go right
to sleep when I am
wishing and 8-9-10-
11-12-13-14 for a
ginger cookie
man?" asked Ed-
ward.

"19-20-21 you sure you can't sleep?" asked Grandma. "For if
you do not 32-33 ginger bread man for you, sir!"

Edward closed 5-6-7 eye then the other one tight and 8-15! in a
trice he was fast asleep dreaming of ginger cookie men no doubt!

Answer To Last Puzzle

1-2-3-4-5 (going), 9-10-11-12-13 (above), 1-4-9 (gas), 6-7 (an), 2-7-10-17
(onto), 17-18-19 (one), 11-18 (on), 4-8-12-19-25 (never), 20-21-22-23-24
(match), 31-35-36 (for), 15-21-26 (pan), 24-28-33 (had), 30-36 (or), 14-20
(am), 28-29 (Al), 31-32-33 (Ned), 26-27 (no), 14-15-16 (ape), 16-22-27-31
(Eton).

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Personal Health Service
By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

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
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.

My Old Friend Chodounsky

A little over, nine years ago, as use of Turkish towels in hotels? S.
A. R.)
Answer—Turkish towels are as san-
itary as any other kind, I think. I
know of no law regarding the use of
Turkish towels in hotels, but if any-
body proposing such a law includes
Turkish cigarettes in the ban, I'm
for it.

What is cataract? From what does
it form? Is it preventable if the oculist
observes it before it forms? (Mrs.
F. W.)

Answer—Cataract is an opacity in
the crystalline lens or its capsule. It
is not an opaque skin or membrane
on the eyeball. Laymen often imag-
ine opacities of the cornea (transpar-
ent covering of the eyeball) and var-
ious growths even on the conjunc-
tiva (mucous membrane covering eye-
ball and lining lids) are cataracts.
Cataract is a degenerative change in
the tissue of the lens. Many persons
with cataract never suffer serious im-
pairment of vision. Oculists often
withhold from patients knowledge of
the discovery of slight cataract.
When cataract is observed in the ear-
ly stage the oculist can often retard
the development of the trouble.

Two Males and Tuberculosis
We are two males employed for the
last year in a home in and
lady that her husband has a touch of
tuberculosis. He seldom goes out. He
coughs violently on rising and going
to bed. Our lady says it is only a
resting case and that he has never had
a hemorrhage. I have to make his
bed every day and dust his room, etc.
We are both perfectly
well as far as we know. The family
spends each summer in their Adiron-
dack cottage. (P.M. and T.)

Answer—Assuming that the man
has tuberculosis in the active stage,
you are not endangered by caring for
him. You would be in some dan-
ger of contracting the disease if you
had to take personal care of the man
himself or be in close contact with
him much of the time. When a tu-
berculosis patient talks, an invisible
spray of moisture shoots from his face
and the droplets of this invisibly fine
spray may carry tubercle bacilli to the
nose or mouth of any companion with-
in the five foot range. Should the
patient cough or sneeze with face un-
covered, his range increases to 10 or 12
feet.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the
HOME INSURANCE COMPANY
of New York, in the state of New York, on the
31st day of December, 1924, made to the
insurance commissioner of the state of Oregon,
pursuant to law:

Capital.	
Amount of capital stock paid up	\$1,000,000.00
Income.	
Net premiums received during the year	485,015.67
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	65,847.45
Surplus paid in 1924	1,000,000.00
Income from other sources received during the year	330.00
Total income	\$1,551,533.22
Disbursements.	
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	55,757.15
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	157,186.26
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	10,268.00
Amount of all other expenditures	117,815.96
Total expenditures	\$4,069,447.41
Assets.	
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	\$1,742,510.00
Cash in banks and on hand	421,405.57
Premiums in course of collection written since Sept. 30, 1924	116,856.29
Other admitted assets	4,150.44
Interest and rents due and accrued	15,885.83
Total admitted assets	\$2,300,308.13
Liabilities.	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$1,414,374.44
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	8,703,780.00
Due for commission and broker- age on all liabilities	1,041,815.25
Other liabilities	974,001.27
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock	\$11,944,001.27
Business in Oregon for the Year.	
Net premiums received during the year	\$1,742,790.00
Losses paid during the year	\$210,541.39
Losses incurred during the year	79,047.59
Name of company, Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company.	
Name of president, R. M. Bissell.	
Name of vice-president and general manager, Norman R. Motley.	
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Statutory resident attorney for service, J. Stuart Leary, Portland, Ore.	
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WORLD FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY
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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.
Oriental Towels
We would appreciate your opinion
on the use of Turkish towels and linen
towels, and which is the more sani-
tary. Is there any law regarding the

JUNIOR
CROSS WORD
PUZZLE

HOW TO SOLVE PUZZLE.

The words start in the numbered
squares and run either across or
down. Only one letter is placed in
each white square. If the proper
words are found each combination of
letters in the white squares will
form words. The key to the puzzle
—the first word—is given in the
drawing. Below are keys to the
other words.

Running Across.
Word 1. In the picture.
Word 4. To draw or pull along.
Word 5. North America. Abbre-
viated.
Word 7. Associated with others
as helpers.
Word 9. The opposite of come.
Word 10. What a boy wears on
his head.
Word 11. A tall grass used for
weaving.

Running Down.
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Word 2. A large bird that looks
very wise.
Word 3. What mother does to the
bread.
Word 4. A label. Also a game.
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YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE
ANSWERED

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