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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry.

The Prince of Wales has written a
poem. His Highness writes poetry
better than he rides a horse.

"An array of startling facts are be-
ing assembled to indict Governor
Pierce," but what the forces after the
political hide of the Grand Lecturer
need is a handsome male who can
bawl dramatically among the women
voters.

The Balkans are getting ready for
another war, having recovered suf-
ficiently from the last one to balk
against Peace and Work. As soon as
a Balkan state gets all the wrinkles
ironed out of its stomach, it is filled
with an irresistible desire to battle.
Such being the case, the nations of
the earth should sell them no beans
and bullets, and use their own armed
strength to compel a finish fight be-
tween the combatants—the sole sur-
vivor to be shot at sunrise. The Great
France was born in the Balkans.
Perhaps you recall it. The duck-
nosed Bulgarians crossed the River
Ruma, tramped down the barley
fields of the Serbians, and the next
day sewing machine needles went up
11 cents on account of "conditions
abroad."

A few are going fishing, but the
majority will wait until housecleaning
starts.

STILLS AND DICE TABOO
(Hedding, Cal., Searchlight)
Modern dancing, the square
dances of yesterday, and card
playing will be a part of the ser-
vice at the Baptist Tabernacle
here tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Adipose Heft is now busy re-
ducing, and growing hair on Mr.
Heft's upper area.

A 11-year-old girl of The Dalles,
Oregon is charged with being the
chief of a band of boy robbers. What
kind of a police force, and teaching
corps has The Dalles?

The Humdingers, Inc., have reached
the season of the year when a dying
argument for civic betterment is re-
vived, with the solemn query: "Now,
what will the tourists say? First im-
pressions are lasting?"

LOTS OF FUN
(Chico, Cal., Enterprise)
Paul Jones was host to a large
group of young people Saturday
evening. Dancing and games
were enjoyed.

The Portland ball team (so-called)
has won another game.

The annual threat to take the de-
velopment of Oregon out of the hands
of the Lord, is progressing favorably,
with good sized advertisements in
Los Angeles and San Francisco
papers.

The bank has been thoroughly
renovated and stairways have been
cut so that the upstairs and basement
may be reached without stepping
from the bank itself. (Willoughby,
Cal., Itemizer.) Good gracious, Agnes!
behold progress!

Ever so often, one of our fair buds
forgets and calls her Father, Paw, in
public, and gets a poke in the ribs
from Mother.

Owing to the downpour of rain
Thursday, Mr. Moun, the dentist, was
unable to fill his date here. (Helix
News.) The eternal fitness again.

The Older Girls Pinner club held a
session Thurs. and a new member lost
two hind tires, and a quart of coffee
cream.

REV. WILLIAM SHIPLEY
Do you know who I was, O riotous
generation,
Now when thoughts and beliefs ar-
range themselves in no order
of beauty.

But are pieces of broken mirror scat-
tered upon a transient floor,
Reflecting no heaven, nor even the
room of life?

Have you thought of me, a weary
messenger of peace,
In the house of God,
A heart dissolved in gospel love?

How I lived in poverty, upon the
bounty of friends,
Visiting the sick, comforting the op-
pressed,
Counseling love, forgiveness, char-
ity, the blameless life.

A shepherd of men to the fold of
heaven?
Then brought to this humble grave
and forgotten,
Set in the weeds and sunken earth
of fifty years—
Do you know who I was?

(Spoon River Anthology.)

NEEDED—A LAW TO PROTECT PARENTS.

ANOTHER law is requested. At a congress of charitable or-
ganizations recently held in the Middle West, a resolution was
passed requesting all states to enact a law compelling children
whose means permit, to support parents who have passed the years
of productive activity.

At first blush, one is inclined to dismiss such a statute as an-
other example of silly legislation, and an unwarranted insult to
the younger generation of the land of the free and the home of the
brave.

But if the statistics presented to support this proposal are
correct,—and there is reason to believe they are,—then in spite of
the new-law mania, here is statute that should be enacted.

For according to statistical evidence, in the one state where
such a law has been passed, the public expenditure on account of
aged and dependent parents has been reduced forty per cent.

Evidently our civilization has some blowholes when it fails to
keep intact the affection between parents and children, or fails to
retain enough sense of duty to make it a work of pleasure to
brighten the years of twilight for indigent fathers and mothers. Ob-
viously too there is a big field for home missionary work if this
charge stands.

Some may urge a discussion of the fundamental causes, rather
than more compulsory legislation, but we are inclined to favor sum-
mary legislation first and discussion later.

Children in a position to help parents, who refuse to do so, can
scarcely be amenable to polite suggestion, and might as well be
treated as outlaws first, and be given courses of psycho-analysis
later.

The distressing fact is that such a condition exists whatever the
causes or whatever the final cure may be. This looks more like a
serious social ailment than bobbed hair for flappers, but thus far
has apparently attracted much less attention.

QUILL POINTS

Hair tonic might be worse; it doesn't make anybody sing "Sweet
Ad-o-line."

The words usually associated with suffering are "ouch" and
"That reminds me."

The modern girl is different, but her chief interest continues to
be a three-letter fish beginning with "m."

An old-timer can remember when a naughty past was a handi-
cap, instead of material for a magazine article.

It's a hard world. If you don't lift your hat you expose your
bad manners; if you do you expose your bald spot.

Of course, a college education helps, but the sand lots develop
many good natural hitters.

A faint heart never won a fair lady, but otherwise it has no
particular advantage.

Correct this sentence: "I would have paid you back long ago,
old man," said he, "but I just forgot it."

Correct this sentence: "Drop in for lunch any time," said she;
"I never go to any extra trouble for company."

What a fine world this would be if people would spend as much
energy practicing their religion as they spend quarreling about it.

To Build Porch
and Door, Expect
To Get the Rest

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., April 25.—Lack-
ing a suitable place in which to
worship and gather to discuss eccle-
siastical subjects, Episcopal students
at the University of Illinois have
raised \$5000 with which they are
building a porch and door, in the
hope that members of the church in
the state will complete the building.
"We feel confident," Brewster
Stetkey, a senior and one of the
promoters of the plan, said, "that if
we build a door to the chapel we
would find a chapel behind it when
we went through the door to wor-
ship."

The portal is to be erected as a
memorial to the late Bishop Sher-
wood Eddy of Springfield.

Prince Sabet Who
Married Jean Nash,
Arrested in Paris

PARIS, April 25.—Prince Sabet Bey
Mohammed, son of the late Salem Pa-
sha Sabet, president of the Cairo court
of appeals who came into notice not
long ago by marrying an American
woman, Jean Nash, and divorcing her
a month later, was arrested last night
on his arrival on a train from Brus-
sels.

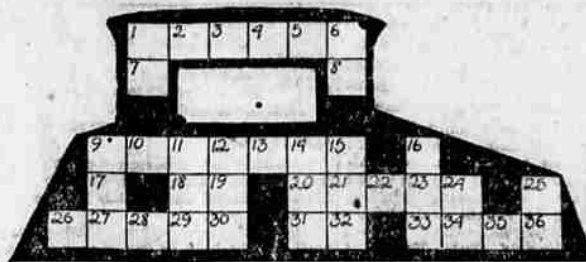
The warrant charged him with
swindling jewelry and automobile
dealers to the extent of about \$300,000
francs.

When questioned by the examining
magistrate the prince is reported to
have offered to indemnify the plain-
tiffs under certain conditions.



BIOGRAPHY.

"ONCE UPON a time," said Skately, "only great men were
desired, for two volumes, large and stately, by biograph-
ers inspired. Only men whose lives were fateful could engage
the author's pen; none embalmed the deeds of hateful, cheap
and sordid little men. Now we skip the bards and thinkers
when we'd write that sort of books, and we deal with bums and
finkers, pugilists and toughs and crooks. Now the clanking
printing presses turn out memoirs by the bale, books in which
the scribe confesses that he ought to be in jail. And the fre-
quent contemplation of this grievous sort of junk, gives my
heart a palpitation, sends green pains throughout my trunk."
"All life stories," make answer, "if they're true, are good as
wheat, be they told by painted dancer or the chaplain of the
fleet. Let us be too wise to quarrel with these authors as they
come; we can draw a useful moral from the memoirs of a bum.
Let the outcast, scourged by vermin, write what brought him
to this pass; he may hand us out a sermon that is not like
sounding brass. Let the burglar write the story of his dark
descent from grace, let the fighter, old and hoary, tell us of his
umes bound in roan; knowing life in all its phases shows us
battered face. Let the tinkers turn their phrase in large vol-
how to live our own."

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE STORY
PRESSING DAY

When Sally 1-2-3-4-5-6 the clothes. 1-7 I had any of my dolly's
5-10-11-12-13-14-15 to press, too, she let me use my little iron. I
9-17-27 press them very well with my little iron, even if it is only a
12-19-30 one.

My dolly, 14-20-31, surely provokes and 20-21-22-23-24 me 24-34.
Her frocks are all ripped and 33-34-35-36 badly. I had to mend them
before she could get them 25-36 again!

6-8 you 26-27-28-29-30 playing with dolls? I have a painted tea
13-21-32 which I use 31-32 times when I play with my cousin. I
16-23-33 him pour the tea.

You will laugh "11-18-29! 18-19!" when I tell you my cousin is
"a boy."

Answer To Last Puzzle

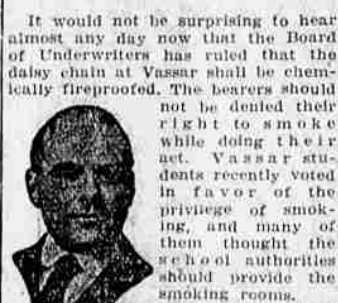
1-2-3 (ago), 2-4-6-11-16-20 (ginger), 14-18 (go), 28-30 (it), 30-31 (to),
16-17 (Ed), 5-10 (on), 7-12-17-21-23-25-27-29-32 (elderdown), 19-22-24-26
(able), 8-9-10-11-12-13-14 (longing), 19-20-21 (are), 32-33 (no), 5-6-7
(one), 8-15 (lot).

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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. Write 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
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Youth Poison.



It would not be surprising to hear
almost any day now that the Board
of Underwriters has ruled that the
daisy chain at Vassar shall be chem-
ically fireproofed. The boarders should
not be denied their right to smoke
while doing their school work. The
act, Vassar students recently voted
in favor of the privilege of smok-
ing, and many of them thought the
school authorities should provide the
smoking rooms.

Is tobacco more
injurious to women
than it is to men?
There is no scientific evidence that
it is; but I believe it is more inju-
rious to young women than it is to
young men. The girl who acquires
the cigaret habit almost invariably
begins secretly, even though she
eventually acknowledges her habit or
even parades it publicly. She begins
secretly because deep within her is
the consciousness that it is some-
thing shameful; her conscience
pricks her a little. After a time,
perhaps, the dulling effect of this
narcotic drug on the conscience en-
ables the girl to acknowledge her
habit, and especially so if she finds
that other girls, even women she re-
spects, are fond of smoking. But
anybody who knows the rudiments
of simple psychology knows that no
woman or man can carry on a secret
practice which is in any way shame-
ful without losing something in the
line of character, personality, not to
mention health. Mind, I do not brand
every woman who is a victim of the
tobacco habit as bad, but I do mean
to suggest that this practice, secret
or open, is a flaw that lessens the
beauty and worth of the jewel.

An argument sometimes heard is
that smoking is more injurious to
women because they have a more
delicately adjusted nervous system
than men is invalid for the simple
reason that the nervous system of a
woman is not more delicately adjust-
ed nor more delicate in any way
than that of a man. The notion that
women are more delicate than men
is one propagated by the fake
female tonic interests for profit.

Tobacco is relatively more inju-
rious in youth than in mature age,
because, impairing the general health
as it does, lowering physical and
mental efficiency as it does, the poi-
son has a disastrous effect upon
growth and development of body,
mind and shall I say soul or char-
acter. After an individual has at-
tained full development of body,
mind and character, of habits and
judgment, then perhaps he or she
may indulge in this narcotic in a
temperate way without suffering any
injury from it. Few persons attain
their full growth in these respects
before the age of 21 years and many
not until 25 years.

An objection which applies to cig-
aret smoking in general as compared
with pipe or cigar smoking, applies
with even greater force in smoking
by young women. This objection is
that the cigaret smoker seldom uses

tobacco temperately, but is almost
certain to indulge excessively. The
cigaret, ready made or hand made,
is adapted for excess. The average
cigaret smoker, young or old, mas-
culine or feminine, craves a "pill"
whenever he or she feels "nervous"
or embarrassed or uneasy or some-
thing; whereas the pipe smoker or
cigar smoker ordinarily arranges
some sort of schedule and adheres
to it with a fair constancy. The tem-
perate smoker saves his smoke for
his regular hour, say after dinner,
or after the day's work or play is
over. The cigaret smoker is almost
never content with such a schedule,
but must nibble more or less hourly
at the dope.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Where to Kiss the Baby.

Should a baby be kissed by grown
persons or by children?—E. H. O.
Answer—No, that exposes the baby
to any communicable disease the
grown persons or the children may
have or carry. If any exception is
to be made let the baby's foot be
kissed or the back of his neck.

Salutaris.

I have been using bicarbonate of
soda to relieve sourness of the stom-
ach. Is there any danger in its
daily use?—J. M. C.
Answer—No danger, though I
should not advise constant use of the
soda.

Cysts.

Are cysts caused by run down con-
dition of the system. How can they
be cured?—S. P.

Answer—Cyst is Greek for bladder
or sac. A sebaceous cyst, for ex-
ample, is what is commonly known
as a wen. Run down condition,
whatever that may be, has nothing
to do with cysts. The only cure for
a cyst is surgical removal or oblit-
eration of the sac.

Never Mind the In Laws.

Please give your instructions for
overcoming the habit of constipation.
I believe your father in law is my
old friend and neighbor.—W. B. C.

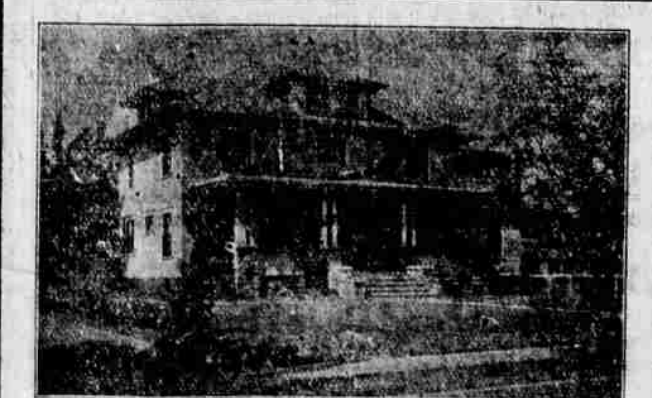
Answer—Send a stamped, self-ad-
dressed envelope for the instructions
and never mind the in laws if you
come across any of them. I have
lived peacefully and happily for sev-
eral years and I certainly don't want
to dig up any in-laws now.

Third Great Plague.

Not long ago you gave a very
interesting talk about the three great
plagues, cancer, tuberculosis and
syphilis, but you failed to mention
Is there any danger if a person
with syphilis visits a cottage where
all have to use the same wash basin
and towels?—Mrs. S. S.

Answer—The essential facts about
syphilis are given in a general let-
ter on the subject which I shall be
glad to send you on receipt of your
request for it (no clippings) and
a self-addressed self-addressed envel-
ope. Syphilis and leprosy have no
relationship. There would be great
likelihood of spread of the disease
in the circumstances you mention.

Vick Robb of Mt. Shasta City,
Calif., is a Medford visitor today, who
arrived Friday.

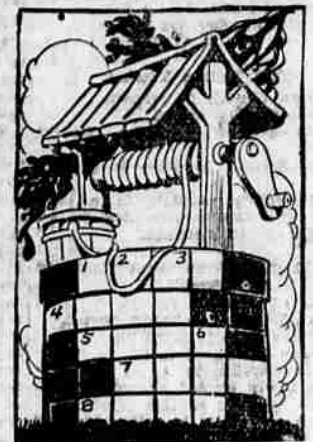


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CROSS WORD
PUZZLE

HOW TO SOLVE PUZZLE.

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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. Hither. Opposite of
there.
Word 5. Opposite of wild.
Word 7. Used in cleaning.
Word 8. Shelter used by Boy
Scouts on camping trips.

Running Down.

Word 1. Not dry.
Word 2. To rub out.
Word 3. A fruit grown in Cali-
fornia.
Word 6. What you do when
you're hungry.

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Abe Martin



Somehow we feel sorry for poor,
lonesome Eunice Moots. She's as pur-
ty as a spotted pup, dresses nifty an'
is well educated, but somehow she
haint got th' knack o' talking enter-
tainin'ly about nothin'. Miss Tipton
Bud's uncle sets down in th' electric
chair, in June 'cause he wuz too stinky
't lirc an alienist.

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