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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

Government chemists who have discovered a poison gas, that will chew through wood, but not steel, can remedy the defect by adding four heaping tablespoons of commercial moonshine.

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am a girl ... years old and am fairly good looking. I have grown curly hair, and ... eyes.—(Grants Pass Courier)—Something Luther Burbank can't do.

Civilization (so called) is preparing for the next war, which the last one was fought to prevent. When the batting, and the four-minute orators are working, and the world is wallowing in self-inflicted agony, let none of the combatants plead they are as guilty as a murderer, with beauty, or money, and a smart lawyer.

Wilson Barber's dog died Monday. It was not much of a dog, but he was Wilson's dog.

PRICED TOO HIGH
(Los Angeles Examiner)

Working woman who lost her purse in Bullock's rest room is heartsick over her loss, especially the jewelry, which was from her husband, of no particular value. Will finder at least return the purse, papers and jewelry. N. Highland avenue. No questions asked.

There were some grounds for the rumor that a resident of Salem, Ore., is dead, while alive, as he has lived in Salem for 50 years.'

A strange thing about shooting a man for a deer, is the deadly accuracy of the shootee, at least the ... one never hears of any poor aim-... "The best the buck behind a moving twig gets out of the melee, is to ... hit in the fleshy part of the left ...

It begins to look like Abd-El-Krim, captain of 20,000 Riffs, would be Abd-El-Krimp by the end of the month.

I-TOLD-YOU-SO
(Portland Oregonian)

"Matter is at least not merely ... y and hard, nor yet soft and wet. It is electronic and celestial, whatever that may mean, and the most we know about it is that it is almost entirely space. It is as empty as the sky. It is almost as empty as a perfect vacuum, although it usually contains a lot of energy."

Baseball is outstripping fishing as a municipal sport. It is more fun to cuss the umpire, than a line caught on a weeping willow.

What has became of the old fashioned citizen, who went around armed with a rock, running $1186 to the ... He's packing a pear, with a ... rely figure.

Will the honest person who found a little green purse in the Simmons garage rest room on 10th and ... please return to Mrs. Loffer, ...ster, Oregon.—(Eugene Register) ... Sugar gets 'em.

There is no change in the cow ... and the hay surplus, but if the worst comes to worst, there will be eat-a-bale-of-hay week.

Justin Schmidt of the campus set, ... has returned from the timber, where he raised a mustache. It is the custom to stay right at home, for the ...ed.

UNROMANTIC AND UNUSUAL
(Detroit News)

Nobody has heard, for instance, ... how, three mornings before the wedding, Mrs. Woolworth went out to a new Woolworth store that has just been opened, not far from the Savoy, and bought a 10-cent bangle—no, it's not true that the assistant recognized her and brought the store to a smart attention. But it is true that Mrs. Woolworth gave it to her prospective daughter-in-law as one of her wedding presents, and when Miss Elizabeth looked at it a trifle quizzically, she gave her a gentle reminder of how the family fortune had been built up.

Chester Woodpecker has started work on a new cupboard. Mr. Woodpecker is too busy to go south for the cold period. He says the acorns this year size up well, but the ken... this year size up well, but the ker... moisture in the spring.

INVESTIGATE THE FEDERAL PRISONS!

WHEN congress convenes again, and the regular investigations begin, we suggest that the federal prisons be examined by a properly authorized committee, provided with the necessary special cars and travelling expenses.

For there must be something radically wrong with these federal penitentiaries. We can scarcely recall a prominent inmate during the past decade, who has not contracted some fatal disease, a few months after admittance.

Charles W. Morse, it will be recalled, was on his death bed in less than 90 days. John R. Walsh, the prominent Chicago banker, in less than a year was seized with a fatal malady. Harry Tracy developed tuberculosis, and an infection of the cerebellum. And now Doctor Cook has some incurable disease, which renders his death as certain,—one might even say more certain than the famous medical students discovery of the North Pole.

Doctor Cook naturally wishes to get out where he can die like a gentleman with his boots on, and his soft-nosed lead pencil in his nimble right hand. True he is champion of Leavenworth in rapid needle work, but needle work, it seems, only aggravates his disease. Why keep a dying man in duress vile? Doctor Cook sees no reason nor do his friends and attorneys.

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There is considerable weight to this argument. The only trouble is Doctor Cook might get well. Mr. Morse did. In fact, we believe statistics will show that practically all of the stricken inmates recovered in less than 24 hours after leaving the confines of the penal moratorum.

So obviously there is something radically wrong with the federal prisons. They should be renovated, remodelled and reorganized. No one wishes to kill Doctor Cook. On the other hand with the American susceptibility to buncom what it is, no one wishes him turned loose again upon our prosperous and unprotected citizenry.

Therefore, the obvious thing to do is investigate our federal penal institutions, and make them at least no more destructive of human health than wildcatting in Texas or discovering the North Pole with a Number Two Dixon.

QUILL POINTS

Things even up. When day breaks, fewer laws are broken.

Freckles have no kick coming. They're getting a place in the sun.

It's so much nicer, isn't it, now that the tariff has been taken out of politics?

The smaller the town, the more adjectives are used in the write-up of a party.

The conservative driver is comparatively safe if he has a good rear bumper.

Abandoned farm houses are with us yet, but they are called tea rooms now.

Among the nations that seem to have no "rights" in China are Switzerland and China.

As a rule, convictions are what you get by associating with people who have them.

A husband's spirit isn't really broken so long as he thinks he gives in because he is chivalrous.

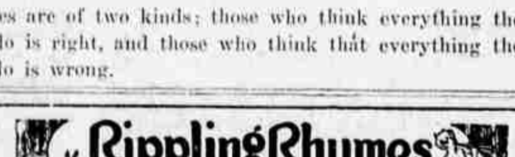
There are compensations. While hunting for the man who stole your car you need no longer hunt parking space.

Correct this sentence: "You won't notice the heat," said he, "if you won't look at the thermometer."

Man is lucky, at that. He doesn't think of a suit as "this horrid old thing" after wearing it four times.

The playwright's task becomes more exacting. It becomes ever more and more difficult to shock people.

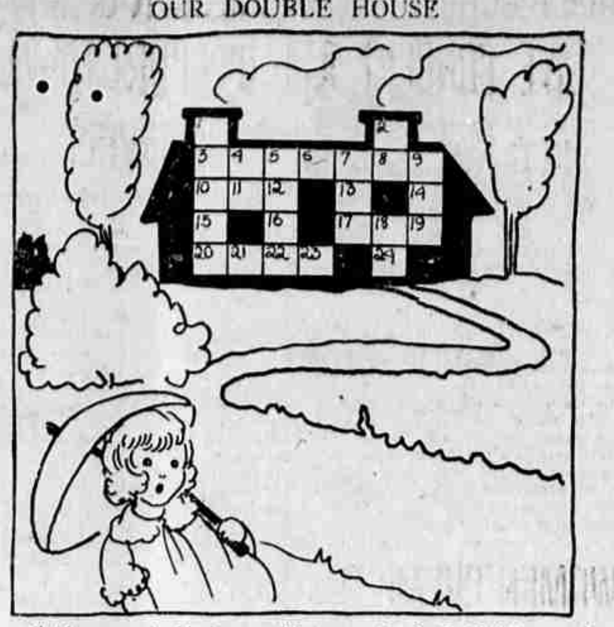
Wives are of two kinds; those who think everything their husbands do is right, and those who think that everything their husbands do is wrong.



DENOUNCED.

JASPER JINX has few defenders, he's the loneliest of birds; mind and body and suspenders, he's denounced, in burning words. People say he has no morals, to no church does he belong, and he's always mixed in quarrels, and he's always in the wrong. T'other evening we were sitting, village gossips, on the square, when we saw this Jasper flitting, with his furtive, guilty air. "Now" said one, "that darkness thickens, Jasper goes his silent way, and some man will lose his chickens ere the breaking of the day." "Or some widow's pig will vanish," said another, with a frown; "justice should arise and banish that base varlet from the town." Of good sense I've never boasted, I have lacked it all my days, but when absent men are roasted, I say something in their praise. "Jasper's soul may be deadest," I remarked, "the seas between, but his whiskers are the reddest and the finest I have seen. Though his course may need defending, though his conduct makes men cross, with such whiskers, I'm contending, no one is a total loss." On the morrow to my dwelling came old Jasper, single file, and he said "I heard you telling that I'm not entirely vile. Oh, it made my life blood quicken! Words of praise are few and sweet; so I've brought a nice young chicken which I hope will prove a treat." Where he got it is a question that I did not think to spring, but I've had no indigestion since I ate it, neck and wing.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE STORY
OUR DOUBLE HOUSE



2-8 live in a double house. There is a big 3-4-5-6-7-8-9 on each end of the house. The house stands on four 1-3-10-15-20 of land. Father says we will 20-21-22-23 have to move 5-12-16-22 a bigger house lot as it is 7-13-17, we are right crowded.

9-14-19 indeed we love this house, for it 17-18-19 Grandma's old home. She said she 10-11-12 up and down this very same path I do and used to look 18-24 the very same chimney and wonder if Santa Claus could get down!

Father always laughs, "4-11! 4-11!" when I ask him if he can.

Answer To Last Puzzle

1-5-9-13-16-19 (giants), 12-13-14 (one), 1-2 (go), 7-8 (of), 2-6 (on) 28-32 (or), 4-5-6 (sin), 19-20-21-22 (stop), 27-30 (do), 3-7-11-15 (boot), 23-24-25-26-27 (stand), 31-32-33 (are), 14-17-20-23 (eats), 10-11 (no), 16-17-18 (tap), 18-21-24 (pot), 22-25-29 (pan).

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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 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.

The Girl of Thirty-Six.

A spinster aged thirty-six, contemplating matrimony, hesitates because of fears founded on the belief that late marriages result in ill health and in case the union is blessed with children a grave risk of death in childbirth. The girl has never suffered any illness to speak of and has always had excellent health. She covers the ground pretty thoroughly in these specific questions:

1. Is 36 years a dangerous age for a spinster to marry?
2. Is it true that marriage and the rearing of children entail particular danger for a woman who has lived to that age unmarried?
3. Does the reproductive system age more rapidly than other functional systems of the body?
4. Would matrimony under such conditions be safer if birth control is practiced
5. Is it true that a woman marrying at this age courts illness by remaining intentionally childless? Especially such illness as tumor or cancer?
6. Is the age of the prospective husband an important factor in such a marriage?
7. Should an old maid marry?

Only a genuine old maid, I imagine, would consider the question of matrimony in such a cool, detached, calculating, and thoroughly sensible way. But just between ourselves, folks, whatever a woman's most dangerous age may be I dunno but I know a normal, healthy woman is physically at her best at just the age our spinster correspondent, and to all girls at or around that age who have not yet knocked down their men I would give this good health message: Now is the time to knock 'em cold.

But don't hit at the old boys. Let 'em go by. Wait for a young one and sock him for a home run. They're fairly young and tender from thirty to fifty, but not good picking from fifty on up. Of course a lot of 'em are tough old birds long before forty. A man is as old as his ways of living make him.

There is no real grounds for the fears of this spinster regarding the risks of childbirth. On the contrary, the girl who marries when she is past thirty proves rather a better risk than the girl who commences her marrying before she has all her wisdom teeth. I do not mean by this that antique or withered spinsters should hop out and get a man. I mearly mean that the average spinster of thirty-five makes a good wife and a good mother, and she should not permit the gossip of Mrs. Sumsey or the whisperings of Sairey Gamp to deter her from the pursuit of a husband.

Socalled "birth control" is an attempt to lend decency or respectability to the crime for which the term stands. However, it is not on any grounds of prejudice or morality, but strictly on grounds of health that I would say this to any one contemplating matrimony: If you propose to evade or put off the birth of children, it is far better that you should put off the marriage. Any woman who is physically fit to marry deceives herself far more than anybody else if she marries with any such intention as that. If a woman is not fit to bear children she commits a fraud in marrying. A man who would willingly and knowingly marry a woman who cherishes such a purpose is a sorry specimen for any woman to have wished on her.

Tumors — fibroids, non-malignant growths—seem to be more common among unmarried women and childless married women. Cancer is perhaps more common among mothers of large families. But God bless you, my dear girl, that's nothing—nothing at all compared with the joys of motherhood.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Stretching a Figure.

A young woman who types a neat letter on the electric service corporation's stationery wants to reduce—but that's nothing, they all seem to want to reduce these sad days—and she says she weighs 152 pounds and she is eight feet seven inches in height.

Answer—Force of habit, I suppose, being in the power company's employ so long. But a young woman of such imposing altitude shouldn't reduce; she really needs to accumulate another 150 pounds to be just right.

Expectant Mother.

Please suggest a good book for expectant mothers. (McG. T. W.)

Answer—Dr. J. Morris Slemmons' "The Prospective Mother," published by D. Appleton & Sons, New York, is the best book of the kind I have seen.

Club Feet

Kindly inform me whether club feet on a child a month old can be adjusted and how.

Answer—The deformity is due to a defect or delay in development. The treatment should commence immediately after birth. The longer treatment is delayed the less satisfactory the final result will be. Any good physician can carry out the orthopedic treatment of club feet, or your physician may desire the guidance of a surgeon. Usually the correction of the deformity involves a series of manipulations and retentive dressings over a period of several months.

Baby Likes to Sleep Prone

Our two months old baby will not sleep any way but on her stomach. Some say this is natural and will be good for her spine. Others say it is bad for her heart. (Mrs. F. L. C.)

Answer—It is all right if the baby prefers that position. Any reasonably comfortable posture any one prefers is all right for sleeping.

Vinegar for Sunburn

A homely but effective remedy for slight burns and sunburn is one long used in the ships' galleys of the navy: As soon as possible after exposure bathe the sunburned region with cider vinegar, full strength, moistening the skin with it from time to time as it evaporates. (G. C. W.)

Chinese Defenders Disband

HONG KONG, Aug. 5 (A. P.)—The volunteer military unit, mustered several weeks ago in anticipation of the trouble from striking Chinese opposed to foreign activities in China was completely demobolized today.

As long as we lift our hands in horror when reference is made to the venereal peril, the venerial peril will continue to imperil us.

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Who's Who

Prince Philip of Hesse.

The man who will some day inherit one of the largest fortuns in Germany has just become betrothed to Princess Mafalda of Italy, second daughter of Kink Emmanuel and Queen Helene.

PHILIP HESSE

That man is Prince Philip of Hesse.

He is the eldest surviving son of Prince Frederick Charles of Hesse, and not only his heir but also the heir of his father's elder brother, the blind and childless Landgrave Alexander of Hesse, who between them own all the vast entailed property and extensive estates of the former sovereign Price Electors ("Kuffuerstn") of Hesse-Cassel, the wealth having been accumulated by the sale of their subjects to King eGorge III for use as soldiers. They were the foreign contingents of his armies known in the American War of Independence as "the Hessians."

Prince Philip of Hesse is next heir to the great wealth of his Prussian mother, the youngest sister o fthe ex-Kaiser. Princess Margaret was the favorite daughter of her English born mother, Empress Frederick, sister of Edward VII. She was the most devoted companion and comforter of the empress during the terrible illness and martyrdom of her father, Emperor Frederick. It may be remembered by the persecution to which she was subjected by her son, the ex-Kaiser. When at last she succumbed to the dread malady that had killed her husband it was found that she had bequeathed to her daughter Margaret the bulk of her large fortune, most of it invested abroad, beyond reach of the ex-Kaiser, also her superb collection of jewels and her beautiful country seat, the great Castle of Friederichsoff, near Homburg, the home of her widowhood.

There are no religious difficulties connected with the prince's marriage to the princess, for Prince Philip has agreed to become a convert to the Church of Rome, following this respect the example of his father's mother, the late Princess Landgravine Anne of Hesse, a princess of Prussia, who, despite the opopsition of the ex-Kaiser, forsook the Lutheran church for that of Rome just a quarter of a cenutry ago.

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Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle

Running Across.

Word 1. What Humpty Dumpty really was.
Word 5. What your dinner is served on.
Word 6. To chop or cut, as with an ax.

Running Down.

Word 2. A fruit, the juice of which is often used in making wine.
Word 3. A monkey.
Word 4. The male of the human species. Plural.

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