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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

Local call for help on the side of a Chevrolet. "TAKE THIS 1924 MODEL, DRIVEN 8,000 MILES—FOR \$125, IT'S A SHAME!"

The Portland ball team was beaten the other day, 29 to 3. It is refreshing to find something that can show up worse than the state prison management.

Thomas Murray, desperado, over whom the mob sisters were just beginning to sniff manfully, has been captured at Centralia, Wash. Glancing hurriedly over the details, one discovers, though it is not prominently mentioned, that Mr. Murray assisted efficiently in his own capture.

FAIR ENOUGH

(Gold Hill News)

When you receive your statement, please pin your check to it and send it back—receipt will be at once mailed to you. If you do not have the money on hand, don't forget that we all must live and that we must buy what you have to sell and the Editor will trade with anyone any time, for anything except his reputation, and you wouldn't have that.

Housewives, combating politicians who call informally to confess their martyrdom and tell how much they are abused, can minimize the nuisance by tying an apron around their necks and significantly pointing at a pile of dirty dishes.

FORD TOURISTS

Say-ling! Say-ling! Over the rolling plain.

And many a day shall pass away 'e'er we come home again. We're all packed into our flivver car and starting up the track. And only Providence can know when we'll be coming back.

(Kansas City Star.)

Three college students remained awake for 62 hours without the aid of a snorer in the next room. It was a scientific test.

CRUEL AND UNUSUAL

(Cons Bay Times)

NOTICE—Will the parties who borrowed inner tube from automobile on Coquille road Saturday please return to J. F. McKee, Marshfield.

No effort will be made to get everybody out at everybody else over the theory of evolution, until the county fair is history.

Art Heller motored to Monroe Wednesday evening. (Corvallis Gazette Times.)—WHOOPEE!

If you're tired of guessing how many humans will be punctured by a deer this fall, you can predict how many careful hunters will pull a shotgun through a fence backwards during the quail season.

THE ETERNAL HEXAGON

(Yreka (Cal.) Journal)

found himself busy keeping track of his bride who was attracted by youths of Dunsmuir and Weed. This soon became too much of an occupation with his work and so he obtained his divorce.

A house guest of Lady Ford-Coupe is Miss Katharine Good, of San Francisco, who has added zest to the social doings of the local British set. Kitty will return to her school on Whiskey Creek in Josephine county, early in the autumn.

A 5, 10 and 15c rain visited the valley this morning.

THE PAMPERED

I have seen enough of that professional class of some of our intimacy to know that there is no class so skilled in the gentle amusement of giving a listener an awful. It takes all the grains of salt that one can collect to offset the wily and wondrous adeptness with which the holding man, the payroll robber or the motor car thief will fill the respectable members of society with goose stuffing.

The deal was which an oft-mentioned offender can be found reading the Bible; the earnestness of a learned letter writing; the variety of imagination in painting a life story to show music, especially before a parole board, cannot be equalled on any stage. (Saturday Evening Post.)

NEARING THE LAST ACT.

"THANK GOD!" said Governor Pierce when informed of Tom Murray's capture. "He need expect no clemency. Murray will hang."

The Governor has reason to be thankful, not only for himself and a good night's sleep, but for the people of Oregon and Washington.

That the leader of the Salem killers should have been captured without a shot being fired, was more than Governor Pierce or anyone else had reason to expect.

And in this bloodless capture one may find the working of a pitiless, if not a poetic, justice.

It was his determination to follow his life of crime that led to Murray's undoing. The hold-up of a road house, with probably a few more murders, was the avenue of escape Murray selected. Carson, the Portland derelict, was to be his accomplice. Disarmed by the atmosphere of crime, his usual shrewdness failing to function, because he believed he was working again with criminals, Murray was caught in a trap of his own making.

It is to be hoped that the capture of Willes and Kelly may be equally successful from the standpoint of the public safety. Without the daring leadership of Murray, Willes reputed to have a streak of yellow and Kelly, a helpless moron, with the brain of a child in the body of an overgrown boy, can not be expected to get very far.

This daring crime, like our frequent perfect ones, merely adds confirmation to the old moral, that the wages of sin is death. Every day someone, who is always a little wiser than his fellows, tries to beat the game, and in the end is invariably beaten.

Crime, like war, doesn't pay. The problem is to educate all the people to see it.

QUILL POINTS

Example of peace overture: "Take this, Honey, and buy you a hat."

Why shouldn't great men come from small towns? Great cities do.

But think how Jonah must have strained his arms telling his story.

The profits seem to be greatest just before shrewdness merges into crookedness.

There is no real profit in war, unless you count the pleasure of swatting somebody you don't like.

A maid is not heartless. She produces the old boy's love letters in court, but not his efforts at poetry.

Baltimore has a dry agent who is "in it for the excitement." Well, one man against 800,000 shouldn't lack adventure.

Correct this sentence: "His estate was divided among nine of us," said the man, "and all of us are satisfied."

Death Toll of the Automobile

OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 22.—Walter Simmons, 23, reported to the Olympia police shortly after midnight this morning that he was the driver of the car which overturned on the Pacific highway four miles east of Olympia yesterday afternoon, instantly killing Vernon King, 19, and seriously injuring Arthur Trent. Simmons admitted to the police that he and other members of the party had been drinking and he is held for investigation.

Albert Rix, owner of the car and one of its five occupants, was also probably seriously injured, it was reported this morning, although his injuries were at first considered slight.

U. of C. Baseball Team in S. F. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—(A. P.)—The baseball squad of the University of Chicago, made up of 12 players and Coach Nelson H. Norgren, boarded the President Pierce today for an invasion of the Hawaiian Islands and Japan for a series of games.

Cook with gas.

U. S. Destroyers Off For Honolulu Flight

ABOARD U. S. S. LANGLEY, HONOLULU, Aug. 22.—(A. P.)—All destroyers that have been detailed for guard duty during the Pacific flight from San Francisco to Honolulu are ready to proceed to their stations. The Langley steamed from Kaula late yesterday afternoon and will arrive at Port Allen Saturday morning and after a two day stay will go to its station 1200 miles southwest of San Francisco.

Thousands Visit U. S. Fleet. AUCKLAND, N. Z., Aug. 22.—(A. P.)—A hundred thousand persons saw the American fleet's illuminated and headlight display off here tonight and many visited the ships.

The Auckland detachment will depart for Samoa, August 25.

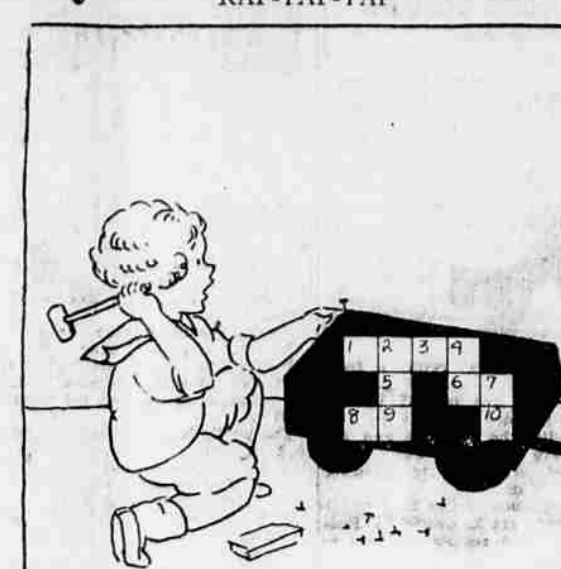
Vancouver Man Suicides. VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 22.—Charles A. Watts, secretary of the Vancouver Centennial corporation, committed suicide yesterday on the papeete grounds by shooting himself in the head with a revolver.



OBEDIENT ORDERS.

ONCE hired out to Hiram Haight, and drew two bucks a day, and he remarked, "Now get this straight—my word you must obey. I've hired about a thousand guys since first I came to town, and they were all too blooming wise, they turned my orders down. I am the man who pays the man, and properly expect that I will see the chores all done, just as I shall direct. I am the man who digs the cash, and if I say to you, 'Go, feed the cow a sawdust mash,' that's what I'd have you do. I am the man who has to dig the kopeck and the groat, and if I bid you paint a pig or fumigate a goat, I want to see you go your way, without protesting wheeze; it is your province to obey, and mine to spring decrees." He gave me orders oftentimes which seemed to me absurd; I felt I was committing crimes when I obeyed his word; and ever and anon I rose, in indignation strong, prepared to seize him by the nose and show where he was wrong. But soon my bitter wrath I'd quell, reflecting, in my heart, "The blam'd old chump is doing well—he must be rather smart. He has the wealth in bars and bricks, his credit is sublime, and I, who would denounce his tricks, am busted all the time. Perhaps his methods are correct and mine show lack of brains; so it were wise I expect, to do as he ordains." It was the wisdom of a sage that made me thus obey; for soon he came and raised my wage by fifty cents a day.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE STORY RAP-TAP-TAP



Here sits little Billy 6-7 the floor! He is making a fine new 1-2-3-4 for himself. I 8-9 sure he is going 4-6 let his sister Betty have a ride in it when it is all made. Billy has lots of muscle in his right 2-5-9, for he takes plenty of exercise. He says 7-10 boy he knows can lick him.

Answer To Last Puzzle: 6-7 (Ed), 19-11-12-13-14-15-16 (looking), 1-6-10-17 (well), 7-11 (do), 5-9-15-19 (none), 3-8-13 (oak), 12-18 (on), 2-3-4-5 (down). Copyright, 1925, by The International Syndicate

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 in a stamped, self-addressed envelope. 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.

We Should Sneer.

"One subject I have never read about in your column," writes a correspondent, "is convulsions or spasms, or whatever other name you don't give them, that children have. You don't deny that children have convulsions, do you? Then will you kindly, or in a sneering way, tell us your ideas about them?"

And the correspondent goes on to describe a case, what this and that doctor said or did or didn't do at one time or another, and so on.

I've always had in the back of my mind a fancy to buy a little farm away out beyond anywhere, to retire and live the simple life after I've lost my job. But now I can see I'll have to get a rather large farm, one with a 30 acre field in one corner, to which I can repair at intervals and have a good sneer, far enough from simple folks, you see, so that they won't think I am sneering at them. There will probably be plenty of things and conditions left to sneer at, enough to keep my sneering schedule filled up for as long as I can stand the simple life.

I suppose I might erect a sign beside the road warning passing strangers that the frightful spectacle in yonder field is just old Dr. Brady doing his regular morning sneer, kindly refrain from disturbing or molesting the doctor with irritating remarks until he recovers from the seizure.

Children sometimes have convulsions, fits or spasms. I make this admission freely and by my own will, without influence or duress from any quarter. I go even farther and admit that babies and other children sometimes have worms. Nay and yea, as you please, I'm willing to concede that once in a great while a child who has worms has spasms, but the coincidence is insignificant, because nine children out of 10 who have worms never have any spasms, and nine out of 10 who have spasms have no worms.

Speaking of worms—and leaving the sneer about spasms for another day—a recent acquisition of the menagerie is a pup as Irish as Paddy's pig, but named Antonio. This Antonio had scarcely arrived at his new home when an amateur dog expert looked at his gums, remarked that they looked pale and opined the pup had worms and even dispensed the medications for the treatment of the alleged infestation. Well, the pup seemed to keep pretty well, thank you, without the treatment. After a time the pup languished and the veterinary physician was consulted. The physician determined by scientific examination that the pup had no worms, but only a distemper which cleared up in two days. Although I know nothing about dogs, the electricity with which the amateur dog expert diagnosed "worms" by a mere peep at the pup's gums struck me as remarkably like the ubiquitous neighborhood gossip's diagnosis of "worms" in ailing children—only we were so fond of the pup that we hesitated to inflict the alleged worm medicine on him. The neighborhood gossip can spot "worms" in an ailing child by a mere glance at the face or a sniff of the breath. The facial sign which leads to so much cruel mistreatment of ailing children is particularly "white lines" beside the mouth," especially with flushed cheeks and bright eyes and any restless twitching. Or add a peculiar heavy or sweetish odor on the breath, and you have practically condemned the child to such maltreatment.

Most of the alleged worm medicines urged by the neighborhood gossip are harmless enough to the worms and children, too, and sometimes the remedy is in reality nothing but a physic and an alkali which may be even beneficial to the child, but the great evil of this practice is that it encourages delay in the proper treatment of the sick child, and that is a crime in which no respectable parent can be an accessory.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. How Do They Get This Way?

We have a baby 13 months old just starting to walk. A trained nurse visiting here, observing his feet, said he should not be allowed to walk barefooted, as he was inclined to have weak arches, and would likely become flat footed. As far as we can see he is normal. (Mrs. M. W. L.)

Answer—What, is Mrs. Camp now wearing a uniform? Do not worry. When the nurse has a chance to see a few babies, she will fear the whole race is becoming flatfooted.

Uncle Ben.

I have been told by several friends that when the Anglo-Persian agreement broke down in 1921 Washington again was appealed to for assistance. Accordingly, Dr. Arthur C. Millspaugh, foreign trade adviser of the state department, was sent to Teheran with a staff of specialists in economics.

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"With us when we return to Persia, I hope, will go an engineer who will help devise the best means of expending this money in the construction of railway lines and routes for motor transportation. For although, when Shuster left the country in 1912 he traveled in the only automobile in Persia, a French machine owned by the Shah, motor cars, many of American manufacture, are to be found throughout Persia today. When suitable roads are more numerous trucks will very largely displace the camel and other caravans upon which trade now so generally depends."

Two Reds Killed By Chinese.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22.—(A. P.)—Aroused to a pitch of ill feeling against the bolsheviks, a crowd of strikers armed with knives and sticks tonight attacked the headquarters of the Shanghai Labor association in the Chinese section of the city. Several were wounded on both sides and it is reported that two reds were killed.

Cook with gas.

Abe Martin



Life Bud bought a lot in Florida just before the Santa Barbara earthquake, and yesterday he was offered ten times what he paid for it, but he's holdin' it till there's a coal strike. My, but our murderers are gittin' impatient. One hanged himself in jail this week rather than wait till he was pardoned.

Timely Views on World Topics

"Persia Not Land of Mysteries—Land of Opportunity," Says Finance Director.

American influence in Persia dates back to 1911, when W. Morgan Shuster of New York went to Teheran as financial director to the government. His tenure of office covered only a few months, because of the growing attitude and machinations of Imperial Russia. But his efforts left so indelible an impression upon the hearts and imaginations of the officials of Persia and people alike that when the Anglo-Persian agreement broke down in 1921 Washington again was appealed to for assistance. Accordingly, Dr. Arthur C. Millspaugh, foreign trade adviser of the state department, was sent to Teheran with a staff of specialists in economics.

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Who's Who

THOMAS HARDY.

The "last of the Victorians," as Thomas Hardy, the world famous English novelist is often called, has just celebrated his eighty-sixth birthday by assisting in the production of a play.

He was born in Dorsetshire, England, in 1830. He studied under John Hicks, an ecclesiastical architect. Many old churches now torn down were sketched and measured by Hardy.

In 1863 he was imprisoned in the Royal Institute of British Architects. During the period from 1869-1868 Hardy wrote verses, then gave them up and wrote entirely in prose from 1868-70. He later returned to verse.

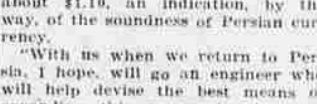
His Wessex country is familiar to the world's reading public. Among his best known works are "A Pair of Blue Eyes," "Return of the Native," "Mayor of Casterbridge," "Wessex Tales," "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," "Jude the Obscure," "Wessex Poems," "The Dynasts."

Hardy has been honored with degrees by Oxford, Cambridge, Aberdeen and St. Andrews. He is a solitary man and is said to have a special aversion to newspaper reporters.

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