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TRADE MARK

Ye Smudge Pot

Best mouthful of the week: "The wolf that used to be at the kitchen door, is now on the running board" (Arkansas Gazette.)

The President will attend the opening game of the world series. Let the nation hope that he will not be overcome with a desire for economy in the seventh inning, and return to his desk.

Somebody's vinegar jug was found on the school ground after the dance Saturday night. (Grants Pass Courier.) O! my gosh!

There are too many cats, and too much catapulating by motor vehicle on the Main Stem.

A deer that weighed 394 lbs. with his heart, liver and lights out, was brought in Saturday.

The insignificance of Man, where a convulsion of Nature is concerned, is no curb to his egotism, and to prove the latter, the following from the "Review of Reviews" is quoted:

Public interest was rising. The newspaper reports were treating each mild shock more seriously. Signs were accumulating that large numbers of people, who had never been used to tremors in the soft earth, might be edging toward panic.

An earthquake is annoying, but nothing was done about it, "sensibly and scientifically." No resolutions were adopted calling upon Nature to behave, nor did the thoroughly aroused voters write to their representatives in Congress demanding regulation.

When the earth feels like dancing, it dances, as does a dance-crazed lass. Further along in the article it is revealed that the quake, so learnedly complained of, "was due to the slipping of a fault." The same thing happens to humans.

Then Science, not satisfied with extending no hope for a regulation of the behavior of the Earth, proceeded to sneer and puncture civic pride, as follows:

No when Dr. Jagger said that the question is not so much the chance of an earthquake in New York as the chance of New York in an earthquake," we pressed for explanation.

The explanation finally pressed out of Dr. Jagger, in 750 words, concluded cold-bloodedly, that New York better not tangle with an earthquake, even under the most favorable conditions.

There seem to be signs that playing horse around the courthouse, has been resumed in the interests of good government.

Our jr. seedsender is in favor of the strict enforcement of the Prohibition laws, just the same as if he hadn't been caught. All the candidates for his job stand for strict enforcement of the Prohibition laws—themselves included, as now does the jr. seedsender.

The evenings grow chilly. Gentlemen curing dandruff, through renouncing their hats, are confronted by pneumonia.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR: In going down a winding hill He "let her coast," did Henry Bill; He met a car upon a turn— For him eternal fires burn.

Joe drove his auto one dark night And only burned the right-hand light; The other guy was crazy, too; Now both are out beyond the blue.

He thought the button was the brake; Did William Henry Silas Drake; He pushed his good right foot hard down.

And woke when Peter said: "Here's your crown!" His glaring lamps shone down the main; And all the highway plainly showed; But "other fellow" could not see; Both swapped time for eternity.

'Twas Ma told Jimmie he could drive As well as Pa, but sakes alive! He could not, so poor little Jim Now wobbles with the cherubim. (S. F. Bulletin.)

DOES MEDFORD WANT THE COURT HOUSE?

IT IS unfortunate that so many measures are to be considered at the election next Thursday, for with the water question of such supreme and critical importance, it has been impossible in the campaign to give the other measures the attention they deserve.

However, that can't be helped now, and The Mail Tribune agrees with the proponents of the "one election plan" that no conscientious voter will make a mistake in voting "yes" all down the line.

There is considerable misapprehension concerning the city hall-court house proposal. A visitor to this office today declared he was opposed to this measure because he did not believe Medford should spend \$50,000 at such a time for a new court house, when it is the county's business to build its own court house.

The proposed bonds are not voted for a new court house. Medford is not asked to spend a penny for a new court house.

The court house measure means simply this. If the people of Jackson county decide they want the court house located in Medford, will the people of Medford extend the county temporary financial aid.

That is all there is to it. If the people of the county do not vote for the removal of the court house to this city, Medford will do nothing.

But if they do so vote, Medford agrees, by this measure, to construct a new city hall, loan that city hall to the county for a temporary court house for five years, at the end of which time the county will have sufficient funds to build a new court house on a site to be donated by the city.

Under the circumstances, a defeat for these city hall bonds means that Medford does not want the court house. That is what it will mean to the people of Jackson county, that is what it will mean to the county court.

The county court will therefore build additions to the present court house which are desperately needed and Medford will lose the court house for all time.

The details of the proposition, the wisdom or unwisdom of calling for a vote at the present time are all beside the point now. The reality of the situation is this:

If Medford wants the court house it must vote these city hall bonds. It may not get the court house then. But it can never get the court house,—at least during the present generation,—if this bond issue fails.

The citizen who wants the court house should therefore vote for this measure. The citizen who does not want it, is alone justified in voting against it.

QUILL POINTS

If only Mr. Ford would eliminate the bull instead of the cow. Americanism: Belief in the infallibility of a majority if one is a part of it.

The way to be happy though married is to be the only spoiled one in the family.

Alas! a "no tipping" sign gives you an excuse, but it doesn't give you backbone.

The wall-flower has one advantage at a dance. She has more time to smoke.

Feminism will not be wholly triumphant until the weeping is done by the groom's mother.

A horn buck-passer is one who calls the result of his own folly "an act of Providence."

Two is company; three is an organization that will ask for a congressional appropriation.

Two things that seem unlimited are the appetite for flattery and the appetite for phony stock.

The Philippines probably won't be independent while America needs rubber enough to be independent.

It seems impossible, but it is probable that posterity will talk in solemn tones about our wisdom and foresight.

Rippling Rhymes

Walt Mason REMITTANCES.

WHEN I was young my Uncle Heck was very good to me, and every month he sent a check for dollars forty-three.

Then things were cheap and such a sum would go a good long way, and work to me looked pretty bum, as I was fond of play.

"Why should I toil and strain my neck, or dislocate a shat, when I have got an Uncle Heck?" I reasoned, as I sat. As golden years went sliding past I played the loafer's game, while others scored their triumphs vast and garnered wreaths of fame.

"Brace up," my pastor used to say, "and earn your bread and pie; this world affords the right of way to those whose aim is high." I shunned the labor and the strife, I did not sow or reap; I had no purpose in my life, except to eat and sleep. At last my uncle up and died, a credit to his sex, and being dead could not provide the customary checks. The postman went his weary rounds as in the days of yore, but brought the shillings and the pounds from Uncle Heck no more. The mail trains roared across the sea, and by the beetling crags, but had no healthy checks for me in all their canvas bags. I had no roasted bird to carve, no ribs of beef to boil; I either had to work or starve, and I selected toil. And when I once had buckled down, with busy boys in line, gath'ring rubles and renown, and found the sledging fine. The man is seldom making good who counts on gift or dole; get out and saw your share of wood, and earn an honest roll.

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 Normal Mind. A human being's existence begins as a microscopically infinitesimal cell, though this original cell, the ovum, is perhaps the largest cell in the parent's body.

The original cell multiplies several million fold and the aggregate of cells which constitute the body will weigh, by the time of birth, six to eight pounds. The specialized cells which form the brain make up nearly one-eighth of the weight of the infant at birth, and the brain is one-third as large as it will ultimately grow; whereas the infant's body is only one-twentieth as large as it will ultimately become.

The brain will grow 200 or 300 per cent in the first year of the infant's life, that is, it will double or triple in size; while the body as a whole will grow 150 per cent, the average weight of infants one year old being 29 pounds.

In other words the normal kid is a brainy cuss, with no particular reference to his dad. Of course we assume that the brain really has little to do with mental capacity. Lots of half wits have literally more brains than you or I have, anyway more than you have, and not a few persons with extraordinarily fine mental endowment take a 6% hat. So we can't gauge a man's intellect by the tonnage or displacement of his head.

The 19 ounces of brains delivered with every baby are of practically no use at all to him when he first arrives, but nature is so kind and the limbs get a fair show he'll begin to find use for 'em presently.

Low under the left temple (no matter if the baby is right handed) there is a motor center for the control of movements of the right arm, and this is the first part of the brain the infant uses, for purposive movements of the arm about the head and the mouth, for man is a carnivorous animal until most of the milk teeth have been cut, and an arm or two helps the bambino to get on-rapport with his prey. Of course, all this time the brain center in the right side of the brain for the control of the left arm has been developing too, whether the baby is left handed or not.

Soon after the arm centers for the control of the eyes and turning the head, then the ability to grasp with the hands, and this grasping is one of the first tests of an infant's mental development.

The normal infant will begin to attempt to grasp objects placed before him in the fourth month of age, and it is not until this age that the baby can hold his head erect when the trunk is carefully supported for him. Yet it is all too common a sight to see ignorant people dandling even younger infants on their knees or cruelly trying to make the poor little tikes sit erect without even supporting the trunk.

In trying to teach a dog or a cat something I always have a sneaking suspicion that many of the animal knows more than I do about it. Anyhow, I am sure a good many babies could tell their incompetent care takers a good deal about the

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Abe Martin CARTRIDGE PAINTING. You'd never know some folks had been on a vacation if they didn't come back. The saxophone is the only musical instrument in the world that sounds worse after you've learned to play it than it does while you're practicing on it. (Copyright John F. Dille Co.)

1925 STATE FAIR BREAKS RECORDS PRIZES AWARDED. SALEM, Ore., Oct. 5.—Both Grandstand receipts and attendance at the Oregon state fair last week broke all previous records, in the claim of state fair authorities. In official figures given out yesterday, receipts aggregated \$169,699.24 as against \$192,999 in 1923, the biggest fair financially prior to this year. The total attendance last week was over 85,000, it is claimed, against 82,700 in 1923. The night house show this year returned \$5419.75 against \$5229.75 last year, which was the best previous year. Concessions yielded \$2921.49 against \$8143.50 last year. Grandstand receipts last year were slightly ahead of this year, \$735.25 against \$726.9.

Final announcement of awards in the boys' and girls' club canning contests, made Sunday, showed Umatilla county first, Josephine second, Sherman third, Clackamas fourth and Hood River fifth.

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Campaigns By Airplane. FAIRBANKS, Alaska.—Dean Sutherland, delegate to congress from Alaska, left Fairbanks by airplane to campaign in the interior of Alaska.

Cook with gas. In the automobile style show Saturday the silver cup was awarded F. W. Perryjohn company of Salem.

Timely Views on World Topics

College Youth of Today Does Not Value Educational Opportunities. Says Woman Dean. "Too many young people are going to college," asserts Miss Jean Hamilton, a dean of the University of Michigan, "and they do not appreciate their educational opportunities, rather they take them for granted."

In a recent interview on college conditions, Miss Hamilton said: "The girl of 20 years ago realized that the educational openings were hers through the efforts of others, and she realized that she must make good and that it was a critical point, that it was her duty to make good. A generation has gone and that has changed."

Few Earn Expenses. I learned while traveling through France and Germany something of what education means to those plain people of both countries. They have a respect for the things that 'learning' stands for. And I compared that attitude with that of our half-taught and half-learned youngsters over here in America, who have grown into a disrespect of 'learning' because they are not really and honestly learned. They are getting a certain number of credits by passing examinations—and that is all.

Only about 10 per cent of the young women attending the University of Michigan are earning their entire college expenses. And we have at the head of the Women's League out there a girl from Oregon who is a non-achiever girl and who is earning two-thirds of her way through college.

"At the university," she continued, "there are three men students to one woman student. There is a great shortage of work for women students, because men students are given first choice of work. There is, of course, plenty of housework, but that entails giving up everything else. If a girl does that, because such work with her studies means giving her entire time, with none for recreation or for the other important things in college."

"It is not ambition for the best, often, which inspires a girl to go to college, an ambition to develop personality and to achieve things worth while intellectually, but it is merely ambition to get ahead in the world. I grant you there is purpose enough in it all."

Teaching Profession Crowded. "But then, again, there is another phase, that of the desire to teach. That is the outstanding thing for which these college girls are preparing—to teach; and I have told them, risking much to do so, that the teaching profession is overcrowded, and struggling and teaching is not getting the right consideration because of the fact that there are too many engaged in it. I tell the girls that many of them are far better fitted for other things."

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