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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

It's about time the general public was getting some information on how the Girl's Pistol club at O.A.C. is making it this semester. It is well for the fair sex to know how to bring out a revolver, and load up a dishrag.

The Oregonian of the 11th inst., gives a vivid description of how, before a backed gymnasium, William Sunday defeated a chair. Spectators, many of whom had fallen over a chair in a dark room, rejoiced to see justice at last.

The thrill the natives used to know when a home town maid returned from the wicked city and smoked a cigarette in a public place has faded. What the burg needs is a gal who makes a trip to Frisco and comes back chewing tobacco.

MOR VICTIMS ESCAPE (Grants Pass Courier) When the friends of Laque Youngblood and his bride, Juanita Phillips went to Ashland last night to give the newlyweds a surprise, they found the young couple well entrenched in a room at the Hotel Ashland. Barred doors did not deter the members of the party and it is probable that the door might have been battered down had not the night clerk arrived on the scene, armed with a number of complaints of guests, whose slumbers had been disturbed.

No wonder the rock-ribbed Republican papers are dilating on "the menace of Al Smith," with trembling pens and fear in their hearts, with the President departing from world series games "in the third inning."

In the country the dying squeal of the slaughtered swine floats westward on the autumn air.

J. P. Harrang walked part way home after his Albany trip Monday. (Brownsville Times.) Nice men who don't get into strange automobiles don't have to walk home.

The coach at the O.F.O. announces he will have a football team, even if every member of the squad is socially defunct, and will be selected for their ability to go around the end regardless of the political prominence of their Pa.

Beginning tomorrow, hunters who successfully drag a gun backwards thru a rail fence, will start shooting themselves in the lower regions.

I will make you a tailor-made suit for a milk cow or work horse. Phone 2304-W, 337 East Market. (Stockton, Cal., Independent, with a bow to the Eugene, Ore., Guard.)

He is a live-wire factor in the community, and many recall when he was a struggling fraction.

MYSTERY

In Beulah, there was corn and wine. In Canaan there was milk and honey.

The Hebrew urge to cross the line strikes me as being rather funny.

In Canaan, it was dry and sunny. But Beulah had it wet and fine.

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Why, then, did Moses peak and pine for drink and food so mild and runny.

When there in Beulah he could dine on what we can't obtain for money?

In Beulah, there was corn and wine! (Cleveland Plain-Dealer.)

Bottles of moonshine have been found on the lawn of the state playhouse and refuge for kin and kith. No convict has become intoxicated lately, and escaped.

There ought to be a law against red C. Chaplin mustaches. Melanerpes erythrocephalus, the red-headed woodpecker, has found out that the dry, bark-pole is easier to drill than a tough tree.

He prepares for winter by drilling holes in power and telephone poles and forcing fresh, green acorns in them. When the acorns are wet, they swell, starting cracks in the poles. Those cracks hold water, causing the poles to rot. (Kansas City Star.) Perils of a corporation.

STEADY GROWTH VERSUS A BOOM

MEDFORD now holds third place in the building operations of the state. According to the official statistics for September, Medford's total was \$229,000, only exceeded by Portland with \$3,539,685, and Eugene with \$256,500.

For the first time in many months Medford passes our boom sister to the southeast, Klamath Falls with her total of \$155,892. Salem, Astoria and La Grande are distanced.

While this record is chiefly due to the construction of the new High School, comparative figures show, that for the last six months Medford has been going ahead more consistently than any other communities in the state with the exception of Eugene and Klamath Falls.

There is also one important feature of the local situation which is cause for congratulation. There is nothing in it to suggest a boom. Lots are not being staked out in the foothills, and speculators are not flying about with options soaring in the wind.

Medford is going ahead because fundamental conditions justify advancement. There is no inflation but a wholesome growth. The future is not being discounted. No one is exceeding the speed limit. Medford is walking steadily on solid ground.

Some of our good friends are praying for an old-fashioned boom. Booms have their advantages, particularly for the speculator who jumps in and out again. But booms cost too much in the end. The spree is exhilarating but the inevitable headache isn't.

So it is to be hoped that the present sound pace will be maintained and not exceeded.

QUILL POINTS

Americanism: Being horrified by the brutality of people in some other state.

All you can know for certain about a new national policy is that Borah won't approve.

In the old days, when every barber chair was full, a man was at least privileged to use swear words.

A lot of "broad" minds just seem that way because they are spread out thin. They're very shallow.

A good party man is one who doesn't let his convictions interfere with his principles.

In just a few years the alien can learn all of our ways except the parking regulations.

A desire to get something for nothing doesn't prove you a sucker. You may be a politician.

With the quantity of soiled linen in sight now, the convening of congress will seem like wash day.

It might be a good idea to investigate the army, if the committee can locate him.

"You," said Adam, "are the first girl I ever loved." That's the way it got started.

A letter from the children at college always affords a thrill. You wonder where you'll get the money.

You can't tell about young Bob. The party doesn't yet dislike him enough to make his position secure.

In an effort to be modern, Turkish women are taking off their veils. Alas! There is so much more to take off.

Correct this sentence: "Well, yes," said she, "I had a major operation once, but I don't like to talk about it."

Correct this sentence: "If I can't answer the kid's questions," said the dad, "at least I don't four-flush and tell him not to bother me."

Correct this sentence: "My deposits have grown enormously," said the man, "but the banker's greeting is just as cool as it was in the beginning."



MUDDLING THROUGH

THE British statesmen look around, and trouble's all they see; the signs of lasting grief abound, and they sit drinking tea; a crisis looms up every day, to horrify the view, and still the British statesmen say, "Somehow we'll muddle through. A hundred times our merry isle has been in grievous case, confronting ruin, tricks and guile, and plots and treasonous base; a hundred times our foes have said, 'Old Britain's days are few,' and picked out dirges for the dead, but still we muddled through." This large philosophy is mine, and governs my affairs; I don't surrender and repine when woe comes unawares. Sometimes the problems I confront seem billed to queer my game. It seems a useless thing to hunt solutions for the same; along my path I straightly wend, and let the problems stew, and I have noticed in the end I always muddle through. It argues an abiding trust in righteousness, this plan; the delegate whose cause is just, who loves his fellowman, reposes in a cheerful calm when things have gone askew, and in this thought he finds a balm, somehow he'll muddle through. To buckle down and do our best when sorrows walk the earth, this is the great and crucial test of dominance and worth; and doing so we may forget Dame Sorrow and her crew, and cease to walk the floor and fret—somehow we'll muddle through.

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.

Here's Something to Chew On.

Some wise guy—I wish I knew who, for I'd like to read more of his stuff.—said it is not enough to tell people the plain truth. You must tell it again and again and yet again and by and bye, if you don't tire of telling it, they'll begin to think maybe it is so.



First there were the moon and the stars and doctors, and long afterward dentists came, our children, and we are proud of them. The only trouble with them is that some members of it get to thinking they know about as much as the doctors do. That seems to be a fault of inheritance which many of our offspring show. Take the nurses, for example; it does seem as though they are trying to establish themselves on the footing of an independent profession, and in the pursuit of that object they often talk back at father in a very unfilial way, when the old man ventures to deplore their daring in the way of diagnosis and treatment, say in public health work and industrial first aid and similar departures. Dentistry, however, is as nearly independent as a medical specialty can be in the parent field without becoming a separate profession. It is well, therefore, to remind those skilled artisans or artists of their paternity and to offer them good counsel from time to time that they may not be led astray.

A little slogan or epigram devised, I believe, by a first class ad man several years ago and taken over by the dentists, has had a soporific influence upon the dental practice of our nation, and in the pursuit of that object they often talk back at father in a very unfilial way, when the old man ventures to deplore their daring in the way of diagnosis and treatment, say in public health work and industrial first aid and similar departures. Dentistry, however, is as nearly independent as a medical specialty can be in the parent field without becoming a separate profession. It is well, therefore, to remind those skilled artisans or artists of their paternity and to offer them good counsel from time to time that they may not be led astray.

Such cleansing of the teeth as an individual may do himself, with toothbrush and dentifrice or other means, is all very well in an esthetic or cosmetic way, just as is the habit or custom of bathing or washing behind the ears, but it is childish to assume that this can or will preserve the teeth or prevent the decay of the teeth. Good gosh, it has been tried thoroughly enough, else there are a million cheerful liars extant, yet where is the set of perfectly sound teeth that is beholden to the toothbrush and not to the skill of the dentist for its conservation? Brushing the teeth, like the wet wash for the body, is unobjectionable as an esthetic practice if not carried to excess, but neither of these modern cultivated rites has any important bearing upon the prevention of disease. The person who bathes much is no less susceptible to disease than the person who bathes little or not at all. The unsophisticated, if not unwashed, layman must remember the important distinction between visible filth or dirt and the invisible virus or contagium of disease. The conception that disease is something essentially loathsome is one conjured up by the imagination in ignorance of pathology. The technique or method called medical or surgical or sanitary asepsis or cleanliness is a thing far apart from mere esthetic cleanliness and so different that the layman cannot even understand the principles of asepsis without careful instruction by one trained in the technique.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Shoeing the Baby. When should a baby first wear shoes? Our baby who can now stand, but does not yet walk, has never worn shoes, and older members of the family threaten dire consequences, such as "warped soles" and "weak ankles" if we do not equip the baby with shoes now. (H. F. W.)

The old folks must have their notions. A baby should have shoes until he has learned to walk. The longer the shoes can be postponed the stronger and more perfect will be the development of the baby's feet. And yet when you do finally inflict the shoes on the baby, select something like moccasins, avoiding everything stiff or rigid in the way of soles, toes, counters or uppers. Babies may wear knitted boots or soft wool or skin moccasins for warmth when they are taken out in cold weather. But wool socks are sufficient footwear for babies until they have learned to walk. Going barefoot when or where it is not too cold, is still better for the general development of the baby. A baby has as much need for shoes as a cat has for a corset.

Why Eat? Is it harmful for one without appetite to force themselves to eat, thanking you in advance, resp. (E. D.)

Answer—This seems to be a party. Parties often force themselves to eat without appetite, and next day they realize, most of 'em, that it is bad for the health. As a rule, it is better to pass up a meal if you have no appetite. Nothing like rest to restore the tired appetite.

The Shapely—Or—Limb Do you know of any exercise that will reduce the legs and ankles? Will walking make the ankles stronger? My ankles are somewhat weak. What do you think of reducing soap (Ester.)

Answer—Walk not less than five miles a day, and you will have the best of all exercises for making the ankles trim and strong and the legs shapely. Other exercises of value for the purpose are skipping rope, tennis, ballet dancing, running, the heel and toe drill. Practice toeing in or at least try to keep the feet about parallel, and never toe out. Reducing soap is very effective on the pocketbook, to pass up a purchaser of the stuff. If physiology were not excluded from the common school course, you would know as well as I know that neither reduction nor development of any part of the body or of the body as a whole can be brought about by any external medication or substance or appliance.

Who's Who

HENRY G. DALTON President Coolidge has selected Henry G. Dalton of Cleveland as arbitrator to straighten out the difficulties of the United States shipping board. He is generally understood to be the president's personal representative, and has been given a free hand in straightening out the numerous disagreements and problems of the board.



This is Dalton's first public position. He is a member of the firm of Pickands, Mather and Company of Cleveland, starting as a laborer on the ore docks near the position of business manager of one of the largest mining and shipping firms in the middle west. Dalton is also president of the Inter-lake Steamship company, a subsidiary organization which operates the second largest fleet of vessels on the Great Lakes.

He takes office at a time when the affairs are strained. Members of the board have notified the president that they desire the resignation of Admiral Leigh Palmer as director general of the emergency fleet corporation.

Cook with gas. 4th*

Abe Martin



Cheer up, fathers, even Maj-Gen. Leonard Wood falls down when it comes to mauglin' a son. Women ought t' be glad they hain't got no Adam's apples, for there's no way o' dollin' an Adam's apple up an' gittin' away with it.

Twins Born in New York. NEW YORK.—New York state has been envied by twin sisters on the same day, taking the same sized package for each—8½ pounds.

Cook with gas. 1st*

Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE

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ARTICLE No. 3

A rather interesting question has been submitted to the writer. "If your partner bids no-trump and second hand bids two hearts, with what type of hand should you double?" There are two separate and distinct cases in which the partner of the no-trump bidder should double an adverse over bid on his right. For example, suppose the dealer bids one no-trump, second hand bid two hearts and you hold the following hand:

Hearts—7, 2 Clubs—K, J, 7, 4 Diamonds—A, J, 10, 5 Spades—K, 10, 2

Don't you think you should double two hearts? If your partner has a no-trump hand, it should be impossible for the heart bidder to make his contract. On the other hand, it would be difficult to score game at no-trump or a suit bid. On the other hand, suppose your partner bids one no-trump, second hand bids two hearts and you hold the following hand:

Hearts—J, 10, 9, 7, 5 Clubs—K, 7, 4, 2 Diamonds—K, 10, 2 Spades—10

Don't you think you ought to double two hearts with this hand? If your partner has a sound no-trump you should defeat the two heart bidder by two or three tricks. These hands are not inconsistent. They merely specify the two types that justify a double of an adverse two bid over partner's no-trump.

The same player has suggested that with strong hands of the first type, it would be better to double with the understanding that the original no-trump bidder should bid his best suit. This type of informative double has been tried out many times but is not considered good tactics. The whole purpose of the informative double is to force partner who has not yet bid to show his suit. To extend this principle to one who has already bid is carrying the principle too far. By bidding no-trump, a player declares himself as having at least two quick tricks distributed in at least three suits. To ask him to give further information is unnecessary. If he has greater strength than indicated by his no-trump bid, he should be allowed to show this strength voluntarily without being forced to do so by his partner's informative double. He has done his duty by bidding no-trump. If he is overbid, his partner should not take up the burden. If he has a good suit, he should bid it. If he has a hand that justifies a double, he should double. If he has a hand that justifies a two no-trump bid, he should bid it. If his hand does not justify any such action, he should pass. It is then up to the no-trump bidder to make another bid if his hand justifies it. Auction is a partnership game and the object of the bidding is to find the best bid of the combined hand, the best bid for twenty-six cards, not thirteen. This can be best arrived at by bidding after partner has bid rather than by use of the informative doubles which force bids, because forced bids are always hard to read. They may have strength and they may not. Never voluntarily place yourself in a position where you must guess as to your partner's strength if there is any other way open. Guesses, no matter how brilliant, can never cope with cold, hard facts.

In this connection a restatement of the nature of a business double is pertinent. A business double is a double made for the purpose of defeating the bid of the partner. Any double is a business double if made after partner has bid or doubled, or any double of an original suit bid of four or more, or a double of an original two no-trump. In this connection please note that after partner has bid a no-trump and opponents have overbid and the partner of the no-trump bidder has doubled, such a double is a business double and made for the purpose of defeating the bid.

Problem No. 2

Hearts—Q Clubs—Q, 9 Diamonds—A, 8 Spades—8, 5

Hearts—J, 10 Clubs—10 Diamonds—K, Q Spades—Q, 9

Hearts—9, 5 Clubs—J Diamonds—7, 5 Spades—K, J

There are no trumps and Z is in the lead. How can YZ win all the tricks against any defense? Solution in the next article.

THE DATE TREE



October 14, 1066—859 years ago—The Norman Conquest of England, William the Conqueror having landed on English soil, was opposed by the Saxons under Harold at the battle of Hastings. The impetuous Saxon king rushed into battle, but the more deliberate Normans resorted to strategy. William ordered 1,000 men to advance and then to take flight as if routed, but upon being pursued they turned and cut the Saxons down on every side. By sunset the Normans were victorious and Harold, the last Saxon king, had been killed.

Prince Takes Girl's Role. ABOARD H. M. S. REPULSE.—The Prince of Wales has taken the part of a woman in a bluejackets' play.

Poems That Live

Meeting at Night. The gray sea and the long black land, And the yellow half-moon large and low; And the startled little waves that leap In the fiery ringlets from their sleep, As I gain the cove with pushing prow And quench its speed in the slushy sand. Then a mile of warm sea-scented beach; Three fields to cross till a farm appears; A tap at the pane, the quick sharp scratch And blue spurt of a lighted match, And a voice less loud, through its joys and fears, Than the two hours beating each to each! —Robert Browning.

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