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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

STRANGER SUFFERS FROM INDIANA—(Hollie Klamath Falls News.) The stranger is lucky he is not afflicted with Kansas, or Oregon.

NEWPORT, Oct. 23.—(Special.)—Governor Walter M. Pierce spoke here Sunday evening in the Presbyterian church on the subject of "Law Enforcement." (Albany Democrat-Herald.) Political note.

Events of the week reveal that a man by the name of Weston, was twice convicted of murder, on two occasions narrowly escaping hanging, on "frame-up" evidence. Weston has been pardoned, and the "framers" are still loose—though they possess the soul of a rat, and the instincts of a bat! One of the deductions of the Weston case is: If a "frame-up" is engineered to hang a man, the lowest form of human cunningness, a "frame-up" might be consummated to get a political job.

"STRICTLY BUSINESS" (Cos Bay Times) REFINED young lady 19 wishes to meet elderly gentleman of means. Object matrimony. Address Miss Louise Carr, 29 Franklin St., San Francisco, Cal.

Shen in Ku Kluxer's office window: Will be back at once. Out to Lynch. (Oregon Emerald.) Treasonable humor from upstate.

The Luke Deuel mustache taxes the Luke Deuel mustache takes the cake for naive puniness, and lack of character. It is waxed like the dining room floor.

The scientist engaged in weighing the world, should also be on the look-out for extract of coupling pin, in the beanyer doughnuts.

PLIVVER touring car for sale or will trade for apples, wood or goats. R. F. Huntley, Brockway. (Roseburg Review.) "When Winter Comes."

WHEN MEN ARE MEN (Harris, Cal., Times) One item worthy of mention which actually happened not so long ago: Joe Durvan went to K. Falls over the week end and returned walking straight. We consider it a Titanic immense wonder, Joe.

Though the community has adopted resolutions at one time and another condemning and condoning everything from worms in the beans to the behavior of the solar system, its date there have been no informal and frank remarks on the alleged conduct of the Jr. seceder at Baker. The spouse-witness of his bone-dryness sought to cause a moderate shower of indignant whereases, at least.

A Jewish rabbi predicts that woman will be chewing tobacco in five years. Your court, predicts, if this comes to pass, they will be able to hit a cuspidor once in a while.

The President will be called as a witness in the court-martial of Colonel Mitchell, the breezy air critic. No doubt the President, in the middle of his testimony, "will return to his desk."

It is reported that last week "Hairy" Walker had an argument with a huddy deliver over the right of way. She chased him up on the sidewalk and hit him in the middle of the tool box. (Farm Plashes, Copeo Publication.) Gee Whizz!

SCIENCE

Oh, we've yoked the slumbering earth to our will, And we've fettered the sea and the skies; And the lightning flash we have bound in chains, Thrall to our might and slave to our brains; Up through the ages we've struggled until This is our gaudon and prize. For this is the dream that Franklin dreamed As he worked on his silken kite, And this is the vision that spurred them on, Morse and Bell and Edison. These are the visions Marconi heard As he studied night toiled through the night; X. Y. Q. Mr. Glutz will talk at 6 on "The Making of Glue." Bedtime Stories at 7 P. M. by Miss Sophie McCue. Our Flag and Our Country at 8:15, by the Reverend A. Barnett. An Hour of Jazz at 9 P. M. the X. Y. Q. Quartet.

(Kansas City Star.)

THE CAUSE OF THE CRIME WAVE

In a current magazine we notice two articles on the cause of the crime wave. In one education is blamed. In the other the blame is placed upon the modern home. A few weeks ago in the Saturday Evening Post, the crime wave was explained by the laxity of the courts.

This fondness for generalization is characteristic of all our moral diagnoses. We like our results in black or white, without gradations or twilight zones. So one person sees everything due to one cause and another person sees everything due to another. And, of course, none of them is right.

The home, the school room and the courts all contribute, no doubt, to the moral laxity and lawlessness of the present time, but behind them all one may find the working of a new spirit.

This new spirit might be called, for want of a better term, the spirit of indifference. It is found in the home, the school room and the courts.

It is indifference rather than any definite moral deficiency that accounts for the lax discipline of so many modern homes. Parents are too busy with something else.

That school teacher in Oklahoma, who testified at a recent educational conference that the trouble with her pupils was "they didn't seem to care," hit a large-sized nail directly on the head.

The jury that brought in a verdict against the convictions of the spokesman "because the mosquitoes were so pestiferous," provides another case in point.

A number of things are probably needed, before the crime wave can be checked, but nothing effective can be accomplished until the people as a whole, the young and old, the influential and the "average," wake up.

This general lethargy may be a reaction from the super-stimulus of the war. Whatever it is, moral conditions will not improve until this spirit passes. The need is not so much for new homes, new schools and new court procedure, as for the old spirit of personal interest and active responsibility.

QUILL POINTS

No house is large enough for two grouches.

Once upon a time there was a man named Hylan.

No man is bigger than the things required to get his goat.

Baseball is a game in which you can distinguish Senators from Pirates.

The mosquito must wonder what happened to make ankles a foot longer.

If France pledges posterity, to pay, her next little job is to provide a posterity.

Another way to make your wife suffer is to grouch and not say what it's about.

Debt settlement: "Bill, I'll pay you that five I owe you next week; now let me have ten."

It seems a paradox, but America can't have an air service while it's up in the air.

Any town can have a "boom" if its citizens are willing to pay one another too much for lots.

They are placing aerials under ground. Now if the neighbor would place his loud speaker there.

Matrimony has settled down to normal when she asks if he likes this new hat and he says "Ch huh."

It is estimated that the energy daughters expend on white shoes would relieve mothers of 87 per cent of the sweeping.

The fool who made his prayer to a rag, a bone and a hank of hair wouldn't recognize the old girl now.

Cider is much like people. It has a hilarious period, and then it sours and is considered virtuous.

Correct this sentence: "I would like something," said the young sheik to the lady clerk, "a little cheaper."



MORE BOOKS

I AM reading, always reading, books the critics recommend, and my stricken heart is bleeding, and my weary groans ascend. I was reared on Reade and Dickens, Thackeray and kindred scribes, and my jaded spirit sickens at the modern writing tribes. They are often bold and clever, and they often give a jolt, and they try to spring forever some rebellion or revolt. But their characters are crazy, and their themes are often rough, and their dialogues are hazy with the propaganda stuff. Read "The Shiftless Ones" and shiver in your quiet inglenook, while the critics still deliver ringing tributes to this book. It's a tale of silly pikers living out their lives in vain: soldiers, exiles, loafers, strikers, saying, doing nothing same. No one's worth the smokes powder that would blow him off the map; no one earns his bed and chowder, none has any vim or snap. So from place to place they dawdle, side-show freaks without disguise, sponging grub and talking twaddle, laughing at their useless lies. One burns off his whiskers daily, saying that it beats a shave; this is humor—greet it gaily! It should melt the stern and bleed. So the story goes on dragging like a lead cat on wheels. It is silly, but reviewers load the author's brow with bays, while they fish among the sewers for some other books to praise.

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.

Jazz Athletics in College.

A student who worked his way through college by giving 12 hours a day to studies and six hours a day to an outside clerical job, desires to warn other students who are attempting this feat. He says his college training gave him what his doctor called nervous indigestion, and he thinks it is reasonable to believe that when one is under a nervous strain the digestive glands controlled by the sympathetic nervous system fail to secrete the necessary enzymes (ferments) to digest the food.

That may seem plausible if one seriously accepts the idea of "nervous strain," but not if one examines the physiological facts. The first physiological fact that one trips over in a calm investigation is that the nervous system does not produce or give off energy and therefore there can be no "nervous strain" or "nervous exhaustion." Mind, this is not to imply that there is no such thing as over-work or so such thing as physical exhaustion. I merely wish to point out that the "nerves" have nothing to do with physical exhaustion, not nearly so much as the bones or the muscles have. This young man simply offers his "nerves" as sort of an alibi to explain the perfectly natural physical exhaustion from his unwise neglect of rest, sleep and proper recreation.

If the involuntary muscles are flabby, would it not follow that the involuntary muscles of which the digestive organs are composed, would become flabby, too, and thus fail to do their work?" asks this, I suppose he might be called, neuroathletic man.

The second physiological fact which compels us to reject the young man's plot to implicate his digestion is that there is no such relation between the nerve muscle mechanism of the voluntary system and that of the involuntary system as the young man imagines; the tone of the voluntary muscles is not reflected in the tone of the involuntary muscles such as the muscle walls of the heart or stomach. A diagnosis of nervous indigestion, in any case is only a figurative dose of Mrs. Winifred's soothing syrup, parenthetically speaking. Sometimes it may be a good diagnosis, for it keeps the patient from worrying about what ails him.

But the correspondent is not entirely wrong in his self diagnosis, for he concludes with this observation: "Most students when in good health pay little attention to their health. Under the present system of college athletics they take their exercise by proxy, for few can make the team, and unless they can make the team the physical directors have little use for them."

Jazz athletics is much too prevalent in colleges. It is bad enough to permit high school children to lack the physical training as they generally do, with football and all that rah-rah stuff and the professional "coach" evil. Physical education is still just a farce in most public high schools anyway. But in the colleges, at least in the better colleges, they have been seriously striving to give a smattering of physical education to all students.

Timely Views on World Topics

Locarno Pact Shows It's Time for U. S. to Join World Court, Senator Says.

"Unpleasantly significant is the reported attitude of those diplomats who imagine that the Locarno compact can be used as the basis of an European coalition unfriendly to the United States," said Senator Geo. Wharton Pepper of Pennsylvania in an interview.

"Having borrowed our money, killed our sons and turned the world upside down, they are now making the add'l blunder of trying to irritate President Coolidge and force the hand of the United States."

"One of the ways in which we can prove that our head is steady and that we're not a bit disturbed by lies is by showing our readiness to support and sustain the permanent court of international justice."

"The conception of such a court is an American conception. We have learned to place supreme trust in our courts and on the whole the trust has not been misplaced."

"We have learned that our courts are at their best when they are independent and when the judges are unembarrassed by political pressure. We want the international court to be as much as possible like our own supreme court in this respect; and, of course, we do not want to get mixed up with the league of nations as the price of adherence to the court."

The difference between the security pact signed at Locarno and the so-called security clause of the covenant of the League of Nations is a month's delay, the senator observed. The Locarno agreement merely put into the form of a treaty the things which would inevitably have happened if there were no treaty, the senator said.

In recent years, but the faint of professionalism in college sport and the natural tendency toward effeminacy and mollification among college sports are pretty serious obstacles in the way of such education.

What this badly educated young college graduate says of "exercise by proxy" might be applied to the general public today, in relation to popular sport. There's an alarming pandemic of spectatoritis, as Health Commissioner Dandeneau of Chicago has aptly described it.

The college man or woman who is a duck, dodges or evades physical training makes a very foolish mistake indeed.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Not So Morbid.

Availing myself of your free offer to answer question about disease—(E. M.)

Answer.—I have never offered to answer such questions. Health, hygiene, the prevention of disease. If you have a disease or think you have, my advice is that you consult a physical about it.

Poisoning.

Is there any danger of poisoning from food left standing in the aluminum vessel in which it was cooked? Is there any danger of poisoning from eating the kernels of peach seeds? (R. E. G.)

Answer.—Food which has stood long enough to begin to spoil or decompose may produce upsets, no matter what the vessel is made of. Peach pits contain a trace of hydrocyanic (prussic) acid, which gives them their peculiar flavor. But one could scarcely get enough by eating these foods to experience any ill effect.

So This Is Auburn.

I am a Germanic blondy with blue eyes, hair and beard inclined to be reddish. My wife is of the fair English type, blue eyes and golden hair. Our three year old daughter has auburn hair, which was very dark when she was born; her eyes, too, were dark in early infancy, now they seem light blue. Our second baby, now two months old, seemed darker when she was born, but is now becoming lighter like her sister, greatly to our disappointment. Friends say we cannot hope to have children darker than we are. (H. C. E.)

Answer.—Your friends are wrong—you can hope as much as you like. There's no law against hoping in this country. But as for the color of the children's hair, be resigned with anything between here and Syracuse. Red heads happen in the best regulated families, but otherwise complexion, hair and eyes of children are unlikely to be darker than the darker parent's.

Walking It Off.

I am nearly 50 pounds overweight, and am walking to reduce. It has helped me very much, as I lose an average of two pounds a week. I have been walking five or six miles a day. Now I. M. Told that it is too much to walk all at one time. Please advise whether I should give up or whether it would be better to divide the daily walk into two or three shorter walks. (Mrs. E. J. M.)

Answer.—I Told ought to confer with Cousin Ben about that. If you enjoy it, the five or six miles in one dose is not too much for health. The ideal health making dose of oxygen on the hoof is two miles three times a day for persons who can afford 40 minutes for it, morning, noon and night.

Who's Who

Maj. Gen. Robert L. Howze.

The second officer recently appointed a member of the board to act as a court martial in the case of Colonel William Mitchell is Maj. Gen. Robert L. Howze, now commanding the Fifth corps at Columbus.

Born in Rusk county, Texas, Aug. 22, 1864, he attended U. S. Military Academy and was graduated in 1888. He also holds an A. B. degree from Hubbard, Texas.

The general has seen service in Europe, Mexico and the Philippines. While in France he was awarded the D. S. M. (U. S.) Croix de Guerre with palm and made an Officer of the Legion of Honor.

While commanding a squadron of cavalry in Mexico under General Pershing, he rendered distinguished service.

In 1891 General Howze was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for gallantry in repelling attacks of Sioux Indians in South Dakota, Jan. 1, 1891.

After commanding a division in the army of occupation on the Rhine he returned to this country and was detailed to service on the Mexican border.



Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE

New Series by WYNNE FERGUSON Author of 'Ferguson on Auction Bridge'

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Did you ever stop to consider how many rubbers are lost by bad play? One very famous player is authority for the statement that four out of every five rubbers are "chucked," that is, lost by bad play or bad bidding. This observation is particularly true of a long, close rubber where the cards are breaking fairly even. In such a rubber, a close observer will notice many a slip before the rubber is finally settled. The writer was watching one of these close struggles the other evening and noted two hands, each of which if played correctly, would have won the rubber. See what you can do with them before reading the analysis.

Hand No. 1
Hearts—Q, 10
Clubs—A, K, 7
Diamonds—none
Spades—K, 10, 4

Hearts—J, 6
Clubs—9, 3
Diamonds—4
Spades—7, 6, 2

Hearts—8, 7
Clubs—Q, 8, 4
Diamonds—none
Spades—Q, J, 9

Z is in the lead and playing the hand at no-trump. He needs all the rest of the tricks for game and rubber. How can he get them against any defense? Z is in a position to force discards from B. That is the secret of the problem. Z should lead the eight of diamonds. Y should discard the seven of clubs and B the seven of hearts. Z should now lead two rounds of hearts, winning the second

round in Y's hand with the queen. B follows suit on the first round of hearts but what can he discard on the second round. If he discards a club, Y will play two rounds of clubs and then put Z's hand in the lead with the ace of spades and Z will make the jack of clubs. If B discards a spade, all of Y's spades are good. In either case, therefore, YZ must keep the balance of the tricks.

Hand No. 2
Hearts—Q, J, 10, 9
Clubs—Q, 9, 6
Diamonds—none
Spades—none

Hearts—8, 6
Clubs—5
Diamonds—J, 9, 7, 2
Spades—none

Hearts—none
Clubs—A, K, 10
Diamonds—K
Spades—A, 9, 6

Spades are trumps and Z, who is playing the hand must take all the tricks to win game and rubber. The dummy hand, Y, is in the lead. How can Z so play the hand against any defense that he can take all of the remaining tricks? This problem is one where Z must shorten his trumps. To do so, he must lead the queen of hearts from Y's hand. B should discard a club for if he trumps, YZ win the balance of the tricks. Z, however, must trump this trick. In no other way can he win the balance of the tricks. He should then lead the ten of clubs. If B trumps, Z should over-trump and thus win the balance of the

tricks. If B refuses to trump, Z should also discard. Z should continue the heart lead for two more rounds, discarding if B does. On the sixth trick B and Z each have two trumps but Z has the tenace position and must win both tricks. This is a situation that comes up repeatedly and should be carefully studied. The trumping of a good trick to shorten one's trump holding has been called the "Grand Coup" and is a play that all the experts love to brag about. Study over this problem and if you understand the principles and application you will be surprised how often you will have a similar opportunity.

used Lieut. Comdr. Gilmore, U. S. N., and 27 other Americans, who were held prisoners by the insurgents in the Philippines for more than ten months.

Poems That Live

MUSIC, WHEN SOFT VOICES DIE
Music, when soft voices die,
Vibrates in the memory—
Odeons, when sweet violets sicken,
Live within the sense they quicken.

Rose-leaves, when the rose is dead,
Are heaped for the beloved's bed;
And so thy thoughts, when thou art gone,
Love itself shall slumber on.
—Percy Bysshe Shelley.

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle



It's in th' triflin' transactions o' life that we tip ourselves off. Next t' watin' till somebody gits through tellin' a story we've already heard, th' hardest thing is givin' your seat t' a lady an' standin' up all th' way t' Florida.
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THE DATE TREE

October 31, 1777—148 years ago—John Brand, the antiquarian, relates a Halloween custom in Ireland. When the young women would know whether their lovers are faithful they name nuts and place them upon the bars of the grate. If one cracks or jumps the lover will prove unfaithful; if it begins to blaze or burn he has a warm heart for her and, if the nut named after the girl and her lover burn together, they will surely be married.
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Cook with gas.

Running Across.
Word 1. What made Aladdin's fortune in the Arabian Night's tale?
Word 4. A country in Asia.
Word 5. A barnyard fowl. Plural.

Running Down.
Word 1. A fastening for a door, usually operated by a key.
Word 2. The American battleship that was sunk in Havana harbor, causing the Spanish American war.
Word 3. A quantity of matter that sticks together. Also an eastern state. Abbreviation.

YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE ANSWERED

SHOEMAKER
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