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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

The frost is on the pumpkin, the 4d and the steam heat radiators.

It is now alleged that the leading housewife of the "Housewives Council" of Portland, who mother a bill to take charge of electric light plants, with a sink full of dirty dishes, is one Daniel Kellaher.

The trial of the Indiana girl, who lured a Grand Dragon and two Kieglies into causing her to commit suicide, after a wild party, is now at the stage where the crowded courtroom litters every time learned counsel giggles.

HIGHER MATHEMATICS

(Pathfinder Mas) The election of a president by a university or college is not commonplace, and when three large American universities choose new presidents within a few weeks of each other it is an event of more than passing moment. And the even assumes added significance from the fact that all three of these university heads are under 5 years of age and two are under 19.

Indescribable costumes, mingled with unbecoming shouts from grey beards and no benefits alike.—(Coo's Bay Times.) Strange, if true.

Next week is "Save Old Ironclads" week. The other 51 weeks are devoted to the saving Old Tinsidies.

Among the birds of Oregon in winter, are auburn-haired woodpeckers. They have nothing to do with the familiar notch-tailed woodpecker.

A few more refrigerated evenings, and our social lions who wear no hats to raise hair, will be where they tip haloes in polite circles.

OPPORTUNITY, RAH! RAH! (Los Angeles Examiner) YOUNG MAN, 19, as apprentice in collection work and office training. Must be honest, persistent, diplomatic and ambitious and will to start at bottom. Salary \$40 month. Apply 512 S. San Pedro, bet. 7:30 and 8 a. m.

It is impossible to extract a donation for the starving Armenians out of the spouse of a lady who is dieting.

F. Prenton, the debonair Wig Ash-john of the Applegate towned Tues. He had on a pair of boots that lace in the middle and have tread down the carpets of more corals than parlors, we wit.

It was printed herein that Woodrow Wilson Barber lost an argument with a pine board. It should have been Sam Richardson.

WHY ENGLISHMEN CHUCKLE (London Weekly Telegraph) The bluff old colonel was telling a jungle story in the club coffee room.

"Yes," he exclaimed dramatically. "It was in the dead of night. Outside was a roving elephant bent on destruction. I crept out and shot it dead in my pajamas."

"But," colonel, how did the thing get into your pajamas?" drawled one of his listeners.

The hell-for-efficiency Espree has fired an engineer for not whistling. He should have been promoted.

What is characterized as one of the best Corn shows ever in Coquille came to a grand close Saturday night with an old-fashioned dance in the community house.—(Coquille News.) Appropriate.

Things have come to a pretty pass when a metropolitan daily designates fishing as "subtle piscatorial endeavors."

THE INFERNAL TRUTH The name of Brown appears large in the headlines. Brown, we are led to believe, won the name. A five-column photograph shows us Brown in the act of carrying the ball over.

But who is the unidentified youngster with the long legs who is one step ahead of Brown in the photograph? His name is Smith, and he isn't a hero. He doesn't count.

Brown carried the ball over the goal line five times, and all this fellow Smith had to do was lope at his side and straight-arm tacklers who had designs on Brown. He merely cleared the way and reduced Brown's duties to the simple business of trotting behind and clinging to the ball.

THE LOTTERY IN FRANCE.

PERHAPS no human emotion has greater vitality than the gambling instinct. Observe the New York stock exchange for example with the ticker twenty minutes behind the market, and then cast an eye at Florida,—where the bank deposits are increasing by a million dollars every twenty-four hours.

It is not surprising, therefore, that ex-President Poincare and his followers should favor a national lottery to liquidate the war debt and pull the frame out of the slough of despond.

That such a scheme would work there is no question. In fact, as one glances over the history of lotteries it is surprising that they were outlawed as tax raising expedients so long ago.

Nero established the first modern lottery, and made a great success of it. Francis I of France followed suit, and Louis XIV did wonders by transforming the gambling instinct into articles of beauty and permanence.

London built many of its museums and picture galleries by lotteries and the Virginia company which settled a large portion of the United States, only succeeded by utilizing the lottery principle. The American congress of 1776 established a national lottery. As recently as 1880 the state of Louisiana made \$50,000 a year through its famous lottery,—not so much today, but quite a fortune at that time.

As early as the beginning of the 19th century, however, public opinion turned against this form of gambling, on the part of the state, and while private lotteries still flourish particularly in Honduras, the state lotteries have pretty effectively disappeared.

This is rather strange for the state lottery need rob no one and may enrich all; while the private lottery is without restrictions, and usually benefits no one but the gambling ring on the inside.

France, by a lottery, could do what even the adroit Caillaux has failed to accomplish, namely,—pull the gold out of the peasant's stocking without inciting them to rebellion.

On the chance of getting a thousand francs, any normal Frenchman,—and particularly a French woman,—would gladly pay the state 15 or 20. And 15 or 20 francs from millions of people, would soon pay the national debt as anyone with an adding machine can see.

It's a good idea. Particularly coming from Poincare who is a very scholarly and conservative gentleman and likely to favor gunpowder, if he doesn't get his way.

QUILL POINTS

White lies usually are yellow.

"Easy money" is any that the neighbor makes in excess of your earnings.

Now if applesauce had made Adam fall, we could understand it.

In the long ago, Sunday was a day to think about the hereafter, not a day to get there.

Convictions: The ripe fruit of ideas wished on you when you were young and helpless.

Formerly Americans dodged only taxes, work and cars. Now they dodge winter, also.

Alas! The most contented people are those who think persons unlike them are going to hell.

One good way to study syntax is to enter a drug store and ask for a nickel's worth of something.

Among the most efficient devices for keeping the home cool is the can opener.

Times change, but it isn't probable that you'll ever see a woman smoking a cigarette while darning a sock.

Man is fortunate. If he needs a "stout" the salesman frankly offers him a stout instead of a "sweet little thing."

Correct this sentence: "All three of my daughters are going with the boys now," said he, "but I never worry."

Correct this sentence: "I really prefer," said the romantic young thing, "to marry a widower who has settled down in life."



POOR JUDGMENT.

LONG, long ago a sad man skipped about the streets of London town; he had a bulky manuscript, and publishers all turned it down. He climbed a thousand miles of stairs, he walked a thousand miles of pave, and publishers, as sore as bears, exclaimed, "Cogs wounds! Aroint thee, knave!" At last a publisher was found who listened to the sad man's tale, and read his pages, pound by pound, and found in them some hope of kale. The book was printed, 'twas a go, through all the years its sales increase; the weary gent was Dan Defoe, the book his Crusoe masterpiece. Now think of those poor publishers, who met him with rebuff and frown, who banded him cheap jeers and slurs, and turned his priceless story down. At every book stall in the land men clamored for the Crusoe tale; there never had been such demand for any book in this sad vale. And Daniel, in his laurel wreath, was prancing gayly to and fro; the publishers, they gnashed their teeth and tore their whiskers in their woe. A less determined gent than Dan might well have burned that deathless tome, when publishers refused to scan the shining product of his dome. Discouraged, tired, he might have said, "I'll try this writing graft no more; I'll strive to earn my daily bread by selling codfish in a store." But this man Daniel never knew when he was shipped, still, still he'd mount; he won last, and so may you, if you refuse to take the count.

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.

How to Feel Beautiful Tho Not.

Every inch of skin except the soles and palms is covered with hundreds of hairs. In certain areas, say the scalp, this is a heavy growth of more or less visible hair, the so-called light and fine in some instances, that is visible as a discouraged fuzz only when viewed by transmitted light. On the face of a woman the hair is a soft down which you do not notice unless you look sharply. A lot of us, all ages and sexes, but particularly young girls, form the bad habit of scrutinizing our "complexions" too closely and this habit leads to the discovery of the down in thousands of cases daily, and the shoddy magazines and fake beauty specialists readily persuade the unhappy dumbbells who have made this discovery to start monkeying with cosmetic nostrums which purport to "destroy" this hair. The day a young woman begins monkeying with such things she ought to say goodbye to any aspirations or hopes of beauty she may have had, for she is deliberately waving her natural claims in that respect and accepting unescapable subservience to or dependence upon artifice, and that can give only a poor imitation at best.

Now, then, that's that. On the other hand, a woman may shave and shave and be a beauty already yet, at 20 paces plenty of movie and stage beauts shave regularly, mechanically, chemically or otherwise. If a woman starts growing a mustache or beard without just cause or provocation, there are several proper courses she may take. We'll go into the latter question presently, but first it is necessary to consider what is just cause and provocation for such superfluous hair.

Cosmetics That Grow No Hair. It is a familiar trick of the trade, aided and abetted by the booty specialists subsidized by the trade, to propagate the notion that certain cosmetics, certain creams and the like will "grow hair" while certain others will not. This is merely a kind of dishonor among thieves, for there is really no known preparation which will grow hair or make the fine invisible down become heavier or coarser or noticeable. That's the scientific fact. If it were not so, do you imagine for a moment that nearly all of us really intelligent men would remain bald? No, no, Nora, we'd absorb all the dope rejected by the flappers as likely to grow hair.

Although there is no reason to imagine that this or that complexion stuff will "grow hair," frequent or regular slight irritation or stimulation, as by friction or massage or daily applications of complexion dope of one kind or another, does tend to increase the growth of hair, in my opinion just as shaving, whether with a razor or chemical solvent, tends to make the beard heavier. On this theory—it is only a theory, which I don't know how to prove—

What Do You Make of It, Watson? Are bad taste and bad breath an indication of a bad liver? This is not from my stomach, as I am constantly taking laxatives without relief. My diet is also very good. Can you give me any suggestions?—S. C.

Answer—If you are constantly taking laxatives you are a bad liver. However, that is neither here nor there, only Watson and I can't follow your deduction. We trust, as the office boy would say, that correspondents will not push or shove but form in orderly line and send a carefully addressed and stamped envelope for a little monograph on foul breath and bad taste. A clipping, Watson and I maintain, is not a request.

Visitors and T. B. I go once a week to a home where the lady has T. B. I have a light lunch and supper there. Is there any danger of my catching this disease from these occasional visits?—Mrs. D. M.

Answer—Perhaps there is if you come into intimate contact with the woman who has tuberculosis, but not if she is intelligent and conscientious and able to take the necessary care about mouth spray.

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Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE

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

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One of the amusing things about bridge is the fact that poor players will often lose tricks in the most ingenious manner. The writer was recently watching a game in which two spades was the final declaration. The declarer should have easily made four odd, game and rubber, but by some uncanny play failed to make his bid by one trick. After the hand was over, his partner said: "Well, partner, if you could only use the same skill in winning tricks that you do in losing them, you would be the best player in the world." Some time when this result happens to you, try to figure out how the tricks were

lost and very often you will be unable to do so. Speaking of bad players, here's an amusing little verse by one of them: A bridge playing lady, a-joking, Announced with a snile most probing, "At bidding I'm bad, And my plays make you mad, But—Really great making!" The first two of the problem hands in this article are of such a character that an analysis of the points involved can be better understood with the cards of all four players exposed.

Hand No. 1 Hearts—J, 7, 4 Clubs—K, 6, 5 Diamonds—K, J, 9, 7, 5 Spades—8, 7

Hearts—9, 8, 3 Clubs—J, 9, 7, 4, 2 Diamonds—3 Spades—J, 9, 3, 2

Hearts—6 Clubs—A, Q, 10 Diamonds—Q, 10, 6, 2 Spades—A, K, 10, 5, 4

Score: YZ 10, AB nothing, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one spade. A and Y passed and B bid three hearts. Z and A passed, Y bid three spades and all passed. What should A open? A has four trumps and should open his partner's suit. With three of the suit, he should open the top, in this case the nine. With this opening and a return

lead of the hearts by B, YZ cannot make three spades. If, however, A opens his singleton, the troy of diamonds, YZ will easily make three odd. The point of the hand is: With trump strength, open your long suit. A singleton opening is advisable at times but don't make it if you have any other better opening.

Hand No. 2 Hearts—Q, J, 10 Clubs—A, Q, J, 9, 4 Diamonds—6, 2 Spades—8, 7, 3

Hearts—7, 6, 2 Clubs—10, 3, 2 Diamonds—K, J, 8, 4 Spades—9, 6, 4

Hearts—5, 4 Clubs—K, 7, 6 Diamonds—A, Q, 3 Spades—K, Q, J, 10, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt and bid one spade, A and Y passed and B bid two hearts. Z bid two spades and all passed. A opened the seven of hearts and B won the trick with the king, Z playing the four. B now led the ace of hearts and Z played the five. What should A play and why? A should play the six of hearts. With three of your partner's suit and the lead, play the top and then the middle card, not the bottom. If A should play the deuce on the second round of hearts, B would think A had no more and would lead the third round of hearts. Z would trump and so be able to get the trumps out before he lost his ace of diamonds. If A makes the proper play, however, of the six of hearts, B must figure that he probably also has the deuce as Z hasn't played it. B's proper play, therefore, is the five of diamonds. This play prevents Z from going game, for on the first lead of trumps B is again in the lead and must make at least one diamond trick. Note this play very carefully for it will enable you and your

partner to save many games not otherwise possible.

Hand No. 3 Hearts—7 Clubs—A, J, 7, 6, 5 Diamonds—A, K, 8, 2 Spades—A, 4, 2

No score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid 0-1 heart and A bid one no-trump. What should Y bid? This hand is really a puzzle but the writer considers a double of the no-trump bid as the proper thing to do. There should be a penalty of several hundred points. On the other hand, Y has no certainty that he can go game with any bid that he might make. The way to win at auction is to play for certainties whenever possible. In this hand the double of one trump is a certainty and a bid doubtful, so the writer has preferred the double.

at least as an occupation of one nation by its recent enemy, will soon come to an end.

"The Rhineland Occupation, as I have frequently said, is "coming war." Until that is done away with, there is war and unknown dangers of more war in the very heart of our western civilization.

Fears French Nationalists. "One point alone prevents my feeling an unreserved optimism regarding the future of Europe. The recent accession to power of the liberal element in France is responsible for the Locarno agreement. If that element remains in power Locarno, I feel confident, only the first step in development of a new and better internationalism, which will later become too powerful to be defied.

"If on the other hand, those French nationalists which dictated the Treaty of Versailles and the Ruhr invasion shall come to rule France before such new order is firmly established, I shall lose that confidence."

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Abe Martin



No wonder the government wants it out of the two-dollar bill. It hasn't half as good as it used to be. Who remembers when we had private homes?

Who's Who

Brig. Gen. Wm. S. Graves. The man who commanded the 4th E. F. in Siberia from 1918 to 1920. Brig. Gen. William S. Graves, is again in the public eye. He is a member of the board of court martial recently appointed by the war department to try Col. William Mitchell.

Born at Mt. Calm, Texas, sixty years ago, he was graduated from West Point in the class of '85 as a second lieutenant. In 1920 the rank of brigadier general was conferred upon him.

The brigadier general was a judge advocate in Colorado in 1895. He was also instructor in the use of small arms. Was congratulated for gallantry in action against the insurgents at Calococan in the Philippines. On duty at San Francisco after the earthquake and in 1918 was made commander of the American Expeditionary Force in Si-

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