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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry.

Christianity is arising for a Holy War in the Near East, where there are vast beds of phosphates and nitrates, and it has been whittled down to a scientific certainty there are deposits of oil, control of which means commercial leadership to the winners.

Corvallis women should rally as one man and save the name of our Fair City. (Corvallis Gazette-Times.)

Not to be outdone by the esteemed Portland Journal, which is relentlessly pursuing Santa Claus through the Frozen North, the also esteemed Portland Oregonian, aged 75, has waxed conservatively glibly and installed a whistle.

Take a member of the fair sex, who is painfully proper, and dieting, at the same time, and the result is sure an amiable, affable, and adorable combination.

L. H. Meyer lost a horse Thursday evening of last week. The horse lured himself in the manner. (Salem Capital Journal.)

Yesterday G. Washington Maddox, ex-Methodist and stimpologist, vividly recounted the time "he ketches a larruping with a black gum switch."

FINE PLACE FOR IT (Press Dispatch) PARADISE, CAL, Nov. 14.—Twenty-four Pasadena high school students were found guilty of "promiscuous petting" in police court here late yesterday and fined one dollar each.

In another week the younger set will be coming home, fresh from the higher institutions of learning.

Drapping of his around phone poles is no longer the thing.

STYLES IN COUTURE (Baltimore Sun) In Tahiti, for instance, clothing may be discarded entirely without giving offense.

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AN AMAZING POLITICAL SITUATION

A TREMENDOUS and altogether amazing change has come over American politics the past few years, but the American people are so busy getting their share of the prevailing prosperity, that no one seems to notice it.

This change is apparent in a thousand directions, but perhaps the most effective demonstration is the right-about-face of the Hearst newspapers.

Mr. Hearst, of course, is a Democrat, with a capital D. He also is—or has been until very recently,—the journalistic champion of the dear common people, and the uncompromising foe of Big Business.

For years and years Mr. Hearst's editorial page was a rallying ground for box-car type, depicting the iniquities of Wall Street, with the Republican party usually represented by a corpulent gentleman, clothed largely in dollar signs, resting a heavy heel upon the neck of the poor working man.

But what a change has recently come over the spirit of Randolph's dreams! Big Business is no longer a corpulent, avaricious and an exceedingly vulgar looking fat-head. Big Business is represented by carefully sketched cartoons depicting such things as harnessed water power, turning the wheels of productive activity, and dropping fried chicken and silver dollars into the laborer's dinner pail.

And scarcely a day goes by that Mr. Arthur Brisbane, Hearst's gifter leader writer, doesn't pen a panegyric for President Calvin Coolidge.

In fact at the present moment, Mr. Hearst is undoubtedly the most effective Republican press agent in the country, not excepting the New York Tribune and the Portland Oregonian. Every day he is making more votes for the party he once dedicated his fortune to destroy, than any other single force in the United States.

And why? Simply because of this extraordinary political revolution noted above. For before all else Mr. Hearst is a demagogue. No one is more sensitive to changes in popular opinion, or more prompt to flop with them.

Mr. Hearst was quick to realize when the old game of baiting Big Business was played out. He led in the discovery that the Bull Moose-Wilsonian-Democracy era was over.

The American people are amazingly prosperous, they want above all else to continue so, and they are almost unanimous in the belief that one of the best ways to do so is to keep President Coolidge in the White House.

So Mr. Hearst is all for the G. O. P. and Calvin. And Miss Ida Tarbell who once flayed John D. and the Standard Oil and was a member of the executive committee of the Bull Moose party, has just completed a handsome biography of Judge Gary, eulogizing the prosperous President of the Steel Trust, and lauding Big Business enterprise!

How the Ironie Fates above,—assuming they are not too busily engaged in selling Florida real estate,—must smile!

QUILL POINTS

Be sure you're right; then wait for the world to catch up.

One way to settle affairs is to talk Turkey; but it wouldn't work in that Mosul affair.

Middle age is the time when a man begins to say that success is largely a matter of luck.

Adam mused, "Alone and undaunted," said he, "There'll be nobody like me until Borah's time."

How pleasant to find a clerk who will exhibit the goods instead of his salesmanship.

But doesn't self-determination in the Balkans include the right to fight at intervals?

In the old days nations borrowed from Peter to pay Paul instead of doing it to pay Peter.

If good times continue, where can we put all the things that are sold on easy payments?

Signals help. When the driver in front holds out his hand, you know he is going to do one of three things.



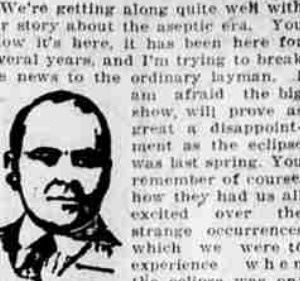
VARIED READING.

WHEN I wish for heavy learning, to inform my hollow dome, you may see me slowly turning pages of some heavy tome. Oft I read the mighty scholars who set down the pregnant facts; oft I blow in seven dollars for the Einstein brand of tracts. When I want no information I peruse the other kind; thus I get a balanced ration that improves my rusty mind. There are novels full of learning; these I neither wish nor need, when the evening lamp is burning and I sit me down to read. There are novels' sort of preaching, packed with lessons most sublime, but 'tis sort I'm not beseeching when I'd have a pleasant time. I will seek the village pastor when some precepts I desire; give me stories of disaster, actions like a house afire. Give me tales of stirring dietion, full of gunfire and plot; knowledge gained from highbrow fiction often turns out tommyrot. People see me read romances which are full of bones and gore, and they say, 'As age advances he should read some other lore. For it is a grievous blunder to abide in inglenooks, reading tales of blood and thunder, passing up the thoughtful books.' But they do not know how often I peruse the heavy works, when my brain begins to soften, and my conscience goes by perks. To the sages for instruction every now and then I run, and absorb as though by suction, noble truths that weigh a ton. But I wish no information from the novels I peruse; yarns that furnish relaxation are the ones I gayly choose.

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 Mystery of Asepsis.



We're getting along quite well with our story about the aseptic era. You know it's here, it has been here for several years, and I'm trying to break the news to the ordinary layman. I am afraid the big show will prove as great a disappointment as the eclipse was last spring. You remember of course how they had us all excited over the strange occurrences which we were to experience when the eclipse was on. I was all keyed up for some spectacular incident, the quaint way in which the big show came and went disappointed everybody; the chickens kept right on scratching gravel; some of the anticipated phenomena happened.

own activity; they have to be carried by something or somebody. The practice of asepsis, surgical, medical or sanitary, really amounts to nothing else than making certain that no germs shall be carried to or from a given place. It must be obvious, then, that in order to make certain of that, the responsible individual must have a pretty sound practical knowledge of the biology of microscopic organisms and of modes of infection.

I said a moment ago that the layman's faith in antiseptic medications is not only foolish but in effect dangerous. The danger lies not so much in the injury done by the antiseptics applied, but in the neglect of proper treatment while waiting for the antiseptic to do what no such agent can do. In this respect antiseptic medications are like cough dope and alcoholic nostrums—they make the victim forget or underestimate the gravity of his situation until his ailment or infection has taken a pretty firm hold upon him, and whatever "sets in" he has at least the satisfaction of having "saved" nearly enough on doctor bills to pay for the nostrums he has used.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Like Thanks In Advance.

I will appreciate any advice you may give me about the treatment of eczema in a child 11 months old. (R. W. O.)

Answer—That is what they all say, but do they? My advice is that you try no experiments on the child, but consult your physician about the trouble.

Old Maid, Meet Your Friend. I wish to express my sincere appreciation of an article you had in your department some time ago in which you gave some fine advice and encouragement to a spinster who contemplated marriage but feared childbirth because of her age. That article more than offsets all the sneering you have done in the past and covers all the mean sarcastic things you may please to say for a good long while in the future. Keep right on sneering—you do make us mad, but you also make us glad. (Happy.)

Answer—Only too glad to accommodate as occasion arises.

Canker Sores in Mouth. Please give me a remedy for canker sores in the mouth. I have a siege of them every few months, and it is hell. If I may express myself so crudely, (Miss Z. M.)

Answer—Used to have the damned thing myself before I broke my tooth brush. I believe they are produced by slight abrasions of the mucous membrane, as by the tooth brush, by biting, by burning. The best remedy I can suggest is a daily touching of each canker sore with a mixture of equal parts of tincture of iodine and glycerin. This smartens like sin momentarily, and then seems to relieve. A little sin will not be amiss where you are. Then one subject to canker sores should make liberal use of freshly prepared warm boracic acid solution as a mouth wash, a dozen times a day, always before and after eating, and no other medications. Use about a tablespoonful of boracic acid to the pint of boiled water for the solution.

Cod Liver Oil. Please tell me what you think of — extract of cod liver oil of — tablets for children. (D. D. J.)

Answer—Take the modern and very busy term hokum, remove the o-k from it and tie a bug on the tail of it and you have my opinion of the nostrums you mention. Plain cod liver oil has its own character, to be sure, but any repugnance to it may be overcome by administering it mixed with orange juice, or giving one of the several good preparations of cod liver oil and syrupy malt extract, or by disguising it in any one of a dozen familiar ways.

honds by a vote of 231 for to 8 against. This is for the purpose of building a dam across Shasta river, 20 miles from Montague to save the winter water of Shasta river and Parkes creek to irrigate 19,500 acres of land around Montague.

The dam will be hydraulic filled and contain 700,000 cubic yards of materials and 2000 cubic yards of concrete and the main canal will be 21 miles long with 60 miles of laterals.

Specifications will be ready for contractors about December 1st, and one million dollars par value of bonds will be sold by sealed bids on Dec. 18th, 1925. G. W. WINNELL, Montague, November 17.

Poems That Live

The Babe. Nae shoon to hide her tiny toes, Nae stockings on her feet; Her supple ankles white as snow Of early blossoms sweet.

Her simple dress of sprinkled pink, Her double dimpled chin; Her pucker'd lip and bonny mou', With nae one tooth between.

Her een sae like her mither's een, 'Twa gentle, liquid things; Her face is like an angel's face— We're glad she has sae wings. —Hugh Miller.

"I pity that guy," said Iafe Bud, 't'day, as Art Smiley passed on his way home carryin' a department store cake upside down. We ran in debt for too many things we wouldn't think o' payin' regular money for.

COMMUNICATIONS

Siskiyou Votes for Water. To the Editor: Siskiyou County is beginning to warm up as Jackson county did many years ago and yesterday the Montague Irrigation district voted \$1,350,000

Easy Lessons in AUCTION BRIDGE New Series by WYNNE FERGUSON Author of 'Ferguson on Auction Bridge'

ARTICLE No. 31

A large proportion of the questions submitted by correspondents are in reference to a take-out of partner's no-trump when second hand has passed. Every player has his own pet theory and the writer is no exception. In his opinion, a player should overbid partner's no-trump under the following conditions:

- (a) Having an original bid in either major suit; (b) Any six or more cards in either major suit; (c) Any two five card suits; (d) Any five card major suit if the hand contains a void suit, a singleton or no help for partner's no-trump.

In any discussion as to the advisability of taking out partner's no-trump with a bid of two hearts or two spades, careful consideration should be given to what the no-trump bidder should do. That is, if the dealer bids one no-trump, second hand passes and the dealer's partner bids two hearts or spades, with what type of hand should the dealer bid two no-trump or pass? Any theory of the take-out that you may adopt is incomplete without a thorough understanding between partners as to the procedure dealer should follow subsequent to the take-out. I am of the opinion that if this procedure becomes thoroughly understood, it will not be the various differences of opinion as to the take-out. With a partner who understands what to do after a take-out, it is much easier to arrive at the best bid of the two hands. The purpose of the take-out, of course, is to bid a suit that offers a better chance for game than the no-trump. If, however, the original no-trump bidder still considers the no-trump offers a better chance for game, he should bid two no-trump. If you adopt this procedure it will tax your ingenuity:

Table with 4 columns: Hearts, Clubs, Diamonds, Spades. Includes 'Problem No. 16' and 'Hearts are trumps and Z is in the lead. How can YZ win five of the eight tricks without any defense? Solution next week.'

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle



Running Across. Word 1. In the picture. Word 4. To permit to enter. Word 5. A word having nearly the same meaning as another. Running Down. Word 2. A country in Europe. Word 3. Trimly neat, smart. YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE ANSWERED.



THE DATE TREE By ERNEST SEEMAN



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