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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

Two popular young people of this vicinity were united in the holy bonds of matrimony the first of the week.

We did not learn their names. (Mon-Lague Messenger.) "What Price Glory?"

Another half grown tomcat of the biz. dist. failed to get to a phone pole with all of his 9 lives, early Sun. am.

Bandits robbing a postoffice at Superior, Wis., recited poetry to the postmaster and his family. When caught, if ever, they should be given 10 years extra for unnecessary cruelty.

Only those with Eskimo blood in their veins, dare to enter the chintz-wackery of the Bates Boys these crisp mornings.

A bitter foe of cigarettes called today, denounced "coffin nails," and expectorated tobacco juice copiously through a window screen.

J. Ferguson Health of the Assoc. Oil firm is back on the pump handle again.

A deal is now on foot whereby the coach of the "Old Oregon" football team, and the warden of the state playhouse, will trade places, in the interests of efficiency.

WHAT'S HE DONE? (Athens, Kas., Banner) should be tarred and feathered, and if, by accident, some one touched a lighted match to his carcass, the person lighting the fire alarm should be given a sentence of not less than thirty days without a fine.

Several who rely on warmth from steam heat, report that the woodpile and the hole in the front of the furnace have become estranged.

C. Wig Ashpole is mad again. A Portland paper reports he "is prominently identified with animal husbandry in southern Oregon."

Oregon leaps to the front again. One of her Democrats has started howling, "McAdoo for President."

The Older Girls have started shuffling Christmas cards, which they have no more intention of buying than of flying.

THE BOY Consider the boy. Between the ages of 4 weeks and 18 years, he is told by persons having authority that he must not do certain things because those things are wrong. Nobody takes the trouble to explain why they are wrong or even to convince him that they are wrong in fact.

And then he grows up. At 16 or a little earlier he begins to feel his oats. He is conscious of being a regular male in a free country. And he begins to do many of those things he was admonished not to do.

He begins to do some half-righting; not because he has a native desire to do evil, but because he doesn't believe and never has believed there is any "harm" in doing the things that were forbidden. The charm of these things, before he has personal acquaintance with them, is solely in the fact that they are forbidden.

Ab, well, he lives through it. Few go to the devil. Doubtless the first mother lay awake nights and worried about her boy's wildness, and all good mothers since have done the same, as good mothers always will.

Four mothers! So much of their anxiety is causeless! Let them look around at the decent and well-behaved men who hold the big jobs and boss the affairs of the world. Few of them were naughty at 16. Doubtless all of them worried their boys. —(Baltimore Sun.)

Sooner or later, do what you will, a Hamdinger, Inc. is going to break out with a magnetic personality that causes all to love him who know him.

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The Big Game

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—All the sport writers in San Francisco are agreed today that Ernie Nevers won the big game at Palo Alto yesterday. It is Nevers, this, and Nevers that, and if Nevers hadn't been there with his lion's heart and triple threat, a very different story would have gone down in football history.

All of which is partly true, for Nevers, in the first half, was the backbone of the Cardinal team, offensively and defensively, but Nevers didn't win the game single-handed, unless it was he who selected the plays. For it was not Nevers that defeated the Bears, but brains, and unless we are mistaken it was not Nevers, but a man by the name of Mitchell, Stanford quarterback, who, with the assistance of Pop Warner, supplied the brains.

California was outplayed only in the first half, but California was out-foxed during the entire game. First to last, Stanford did the unexpected thing, and first to last, California didn't. Nevers was the key-stone and arch, but Nevers would have done no better than Carey, who was the key-stone and arch of the Bear aggregation, had his splendid powers not been supplemented with as fine a brand of generalship as ever was seen on a football field.

But for poor generalship, California might have made at least one more touchdown in that last quarter and might, for football results hang on slender psychological threads nowadays, have tied the score or even won the game. But with four yards to go and two downs, California, instead of doing the unexpected, did just what Stanford expected, tried to do—tried to straighten through the line and were held for downs. That was good orthodox football, but with only 10 minutes left, it was no finer for the obvious. Under similar circumstances, Stanford would have used at least one down for something unexpected, not only on the chance of scoring, but to keep the other side guessing as to just what the final attempt would be.

The wonder is that Stanford with Nevers, and her superior strategy, didn't win by an overwhelming score. Probably there were three reasons. First and foremost the Nevers of the second half was not the Nevers of the first,—he played like a demon, but his punch was gone, not only on the offensive, but on the defense, where he is probably the strongest fullback in the country today.

In the second place, Andy Smith between halves finally found a defense to stop Stanford's greatest ground gaining play, a sweep around the ends with Nevers leading the interference and Murphy or Bogue carrying the ball.

It was this play that scored the 20 points,—and it was a beauty. Just how that interference was formed, we will leave to the football experts.

But we can tell what it looked like—it looked like a buffalo stampede in a wild west movie. The "Cal" end would go around and in and perhaps one man in the interference would drop. The "Cal" secondary defense would go in and perhaps one or two more would go down, and then when it looked as though the play was stopped, Bogue or Murphy, with the ball, would suddenly appear, nicely guarded and sweep through a space as big as a threshing machine for a first down,—or as was the case in the first six minutes of play,—a touchdown.

In the second half it was a different story. The buffalo interference was there, but only once did this play gain. The man with the ball never appeared. He was tackled from behind. That was Andy Smith. And thirdly, comes a young man by the name of Griffin. Griffin was the whole team in the last quarter and why he was held on the side lines a large part of the game, is another thing for the experts to explain. They elected him captain last night. He deserved the honor. Without him the score would have been at least 25 to 0,—probably more. For Griffin made all of "Cal's" gains and all her points.

It was a good game,—particularly in the last quarter, but interesting to watch throughout. It was a clean game, and California showed herself a splendid loser,—backing her team at top notch even after the final gun. Then again a Stanford victory will be good for the game. Nineteen twenty-five marks Stanford's new year in a football standpoint,—the first victory in six years or more. And it was celebrated like a new year,—and then some. The dining room at the St. Francis was closed this morning for the popular and the local probi director announces real rum may be used in the dining room here and at Palo Alto on Thanksgiving.

California offers no alibi, but San Francisco does. The trouble at Berkeley, it seems, is politics. Inlay, the California captain this year, is a member of one fraternity and Dixon another. Dixon was not injured, but refused to play (or was not allowed to play, or was hurt in a fist fight) because he is an "out" fraternally speaking, and Inlay an "in." This is probably all buncombe, but one hears it wherever the game is being discussed.

There is money in football,—nearly \$100,000 in cash coming into the Stanford box office for yesterday's game. The S. P. must have made another \$100,000 with its special trains, and the hot dog vendors at least \$20,000,—for scarcely anyone had lunch when they arrived and hot dogs, peanuts and pop were sold like hot cakes. But money won't kill football, even though it has apparently killed "Red" Grange. R. W. H.

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.

Poor Chap with Change of Life.

Quite a while ago there was some nonsense in this column about the change of life in men. I disremember whether the nonsense emanated from my own stupendous intellect or from the dull mind of some correspondent. But I do remember how readers in general took it. Some of 'em were offended, as usual; some thought it a joke; and some took it seriously.

Now here's a poor chap who says he's got it. "I'm a man of 56 with a robust constitution. I have never been ill to speak of. At intervals I get depressed, nervous, irritable and have hot flashes. My wife says I have 'the change of life' in a way somewhat similar to the way women have it. She says it is a dangerous period in a man's life, that at this period a man is likely to make grave mistakes in business or to make a fool of himself with women or to become flighty, etc.

How about it? Which you would comment on this, for I am sure your light on the question would be appreciated by many men of his age?"

Well, anyway, his wife says he has got it, and that's even more positive. And no doubt the poor fellow has the change of life just as definitely as any woman ever had it. But with some further preamble let me say now that there is no such thing as "change of life" in an ordinary man.

The normal menstrual function. This is well known, nor does it affect her mental or "nervous" stability in any way. The menopause is no change of life. It simply marks the conclusion of the reproductive cycle.

The only reason why I am touching in on this subject again is that the serious entertainment of the notion of "change of life" is likely to be harmful or even disastrous to a woman's health, for it encourages procrastination and prompts all sorts of unwise measures in any grave impairment of the health which happens to manifest itself around fifty.

Men and women are about equally subject to certain "diseases of middle life," notably cancer, arteriosclerosis, Bright's disease, and in cases of cancer, particularly, there are still too many tragic mistakes made by the victims who postpone a medical examination because of assurance of older women that it is only "change of life." Heart disease and diabetes are other insidious diseases which not rarely develop around middle age.

Certain types of insanity may occur in men or women of this age, but mental disease has no relation to the menopause.

Only a minority of women experience hot flashes after the menopause. It seems that these flashes—frequent suffusion of the surface of the body and a sense of sudden warmth perhaps with an outbreak of sweat—may be due to some disturbance of the vasomotor part of the sympathetic nervous system from functional deficiency of certain internal secretions.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Eating a Short Cut to Health. Please give me a list of foods containing vitamins, iron, protein, etc., and explain how much the average person should have. A list of foods for a person to eat that is overweight. A list of foods for young people that are underweight. A diet and the care for young athletes. (W. L. G.)

Answer.—The more important foods containing vitamins are pure, raw fresh milk, butter, raw cabbage, raw carrots, raw tomatoes, oranges, spinach, apricots, lettuce, green onions and their tops, fresh eggs, wheat, wheat bran, liver, lemon juice, apples, fresh sweet cider, cottage cheese, skim milk.

These foods are good sources of iron: Molasses, dried beans, spinach, egg yolk, lettuce, oatmeal, wheat bran, wheat, peas, almonds, dried prunes, walnut, brown bread.

The chief protein foods are beef, cheese, egg white, wheat. I know of no diet lists indiscriminately suitable to the classes you describe. The day of "May eat and may not eat" diet lists is past; a suitable diet must be arranged to suit the individual requirements.

Another Dumb Dorothy. I would like to know about bathing in a handful of epsom salts in the bath—I know it will reduce you, but some people have told me it weakens my limbs to reduce them. (K. H.)

Answer.—Your main trouble, I take it, is Billings complaint. The exercise of rubbing the salts on your, or lower limbs may help to reduce your upper limbs and vice versa, but bathing in epsom salts is a terribly slow way to reduce. Eat just a little less and take some exercise—that will do more than a million epsom salt baths to reduce you.

Government Whitewash. Kindly give me the receipt for making government whitewash. (F. J. H.)

Answer.—First you lease some, as they humorously call them, public preserves. Then you hand a retainer to some very dignified public (as they are called before election day) servants. Then sit tight and it will turn out quite satisfactory.

No Anti-Cri Bacterin. A large corporation I am working for wants to give all employees a serum injection to prevent respiratory infections. What is your opinion? Would you recommend it? (B. D. N.)

Answer.—I know of no serum, vaccine or bacterin which has proved effective.

Children's Pictorial Cross Word Puzzle



Running Across. Word 1. An animal which little Black Sambo, in the picture, met in the jungle. Plural. Word 4. Help, assistance. Word 5. Distant, not near. Word 6. A country in Europe.

Running Down. Word 1. A river in England. Word 2. The Supreme Being. Word 3. A city in Pennsylvania. Word 5. A whim or craze popular for a time.

SATURDAY'S PUZZLE ANSWERED

S K A T I N G L A N G U A G E A N I M A T E A N L H S T R E M O R S



Abe Marlin



Little Lester Pine got his auto age an' railroad age mixed up 'day an' had 'em pay full fare. Hain't it a relief when a show comes 't town we've already seen?

Who's Who

H. Hon. Edward Wood. One of the most coveted offices in the British empire, that of viceroy of India, has been awarded to a commoner, the Rt. Hon. Edward Wood, minister of Agriculture in the present cabinet, by the crown.

As viceroy he will be regarded as royalty in India. The governor-general is the chief civil officer but the viceroy is the king's personal representative and consequently is treated as royalty.

He is the grandson of Sir Chas. Wood, formerly Chancellor of the Exchequer and the statesman who organized the govern-

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ARTICLE No. 34

There has been more or less discussion as to the type of hand that justifies a bid of a four card suit. About the weakest four card suit that should be bid without any outside strength is four to the ace king, queen or any four honors. Some writers advocate a bid with only four to the ace king, but with such a holding the hand should also contain at least a king in an outside suit. For example, as dealer, bid one club with each of the following:

- Hearts—9, 8, 4, 3 Clubs—A, Q, J, 7 Diamonds—A, 9, 4, 2 Spades—10

With this hand you should bid two clubs. This type of hand is hopeless as a no-trump proposition so try for a suit bid, and in doing so, try to find the suit bid that is the best for the combined hands.

Here's still another example. Suppose as dealer you hold the following hand: Hearts—A, 10, 9, 7 Clubs—none Diamonds—A, K, Q, 4 Spades—A, K, J, 7

With this hand, first bid one spade and if overbid, show the heart bid. Then if you have another chance, bid diamonds. With a hand as strong as this one, it is almost a certainty that you can go game in the suit that best matches up with your partner's, so you should try to find that suit.

The following hands were given as problems in the preceding article. There is no score, you are the dealer and have bid one no-trump. Second hand has passed, your partner has bid two spades and fourth hand has passed. What would you now bid?

- Hand No. 1 Hearts—Q, 7, 2 Clubs—A, K, 7, 3 Diamonds—K, 6, 2 Spades—10, 9, 4, 2

- Hand No. 2 Hearts—A, 10, 6, 3 Clubs—A, J, 5, 2 Diamonds—K, Q, 7 Spades—Q, 4

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

With Hand No. 1, you should pass. You have fine help for the spade bid and it offers a better chance for game than the no-trump. With Hand No. 2, the writer would bid two no-trump. It is a close hand but the no-trump offers a slightly better chance for game than the spades. With hand No. 3 the two no-trump bid is obligatory. With only two small spades a game in that suit is unlikely and yet the hand is strong enough to try for game in no-trump.

- Answer to Problem No. 17 Hearts—K, 7 Clubs—6, 5, 4 Diamonds—9, 8, 6, 2 Spades—A, K, Q, 4

- Hearts—10, 6, 5 Clubs—9, 2 Y A Z B Spades—Q, 10, 7 Diamonds—10, 9, 8, 5, 2

- Hearts—A, Q, 9, 4, 2 Clubs—J, 7 Diamonds—A, K, J, 4 Spades—7, 3

There is no score, rubber game. Z dealt, bid one heart, A and Y passed and B bid two clubs. Z bid two hearts and all passed. A opened the nine of clubs and B won the first two tricks with the king and queen. He then led the ace of clubs which Z trumped with the nine of hearts and A over trumped with the ten. A now led the six of hearts. How can Z so play the hand that he will make the balance of the tricks against any defense? Z should

Turtles as Pets

NEW YORK—Turtles are pets of Columbia's co-eds. There are 41 in one dormitory. The mode started when dogs, cats and canaries were forbidden.

Enough!

PORT MOREYS, N. J.—Postmaster Edward S. Thompson thinks that the fifty-fourth robbery of his general store in 25 years is altogether too much, so he's quitting Uncle Sam and business cold and going farming.

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THE DATE TREE



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