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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Perry. An awning has been erected in the big district under which, if he is real careful, a pigmy can walk without sustaining a fractured skull.

FRANK CLARK, AHOY! Architects are men who build houses for other people to live in. This gives them much greater leeway than if they had to live in the houses they build.

It is understood that the gent who engaged in the race from the Pacific to the Atlantic, other than in a broken down auto, is limping like a lady with a new pair of chic and comfortable \$13 shoes.

Voters are warned not to pay any attention to 11th hour caucuses, that bob up at 10:37 o'clock. Autocrats are obeying the traffic signs. This is known to be a fact, because no traffic signs have leaped into the path of a vehicle.

BEST WISERACK OF THE WEEK—"Mrs. Jones' pink frock was completely hidden by a coat of tan"—(Ottawa, Can., Herald.)

Speaking contemptuously to his cigarette-lighter, the rhinoceros-jaded contraption in the hand of J. D. Russell unexpectedly spit forth a modest flame yesterday.

It is about time the long suffering public demanded that the beaneries put something in the strawberry shortcake, besides strawberries.

HOMELY MEN I've noted this, as the years go by. That beauty isn't a lasting boon: That delicate flower's soonest die, And your pretty fellow ages soon.

Well, that's an old and well-worn tale, But haply its opposite's missed your ken— Time gnaws holes in a waning moon, But the years are kind to homely men.

Harsh lines blend as the seasons fly, Troubles soften an edge rough-leaved. Clouds spoil only a fleckless sky, And your pretty fellow ages soon.

An ugly hunk or a rough cocoon Promises—aye, and fulfills it then; Age trends beauty with hobnailed shoes, But the years are kind to homely men.

Smooth perfection is mangled by Suffering's saber and hate's harpoon; Time soon quenches the sparkling eye, And your pretty fellow ages soon.

Only the smooth from a scar will hallow, But the years are kind to homely men. (Cleveland Plaindealer.)

THE NECESSITY OF ALTERNATE JURORS

THE illness of a juror in the Chaney case calls attention once more to the necessity of a provision in the Oregon law which would make the selection of alternate jurors in all cases of importance imperative.

Everyone remembers how the expense of the D'Autremont case was increased by the illness and subsequent death of a juror. Fortunately the illness of the Chaney juror is not serious and comes at the beginning of the trial, but it might well have come at its close.

A majority of the states provide for such emergencies; Oregon should join the majority, at the earliest possible moment.

Meanwhile it would be well in the selection of all jurors to include the condition of health, among the first essential qualifications.

SUPPORT THE MEDFORD AIR MAIL

THE people of Medford as a whole do not seem to appreciate the real value of the air-mail port in this city; the service it gives, the prestige it involves, and the importance of its retention and further development.

At any rate, the air-mail service is not used here as it should be used, and it is not growing as fast as it should grow. As this is air-mail week, the time seems opportune to urge everyone hereabouts to use more air-mail stamps, not as a matter of civic self-interest entirely,—although that factor is involved—but because the value of this service can only be appreciated by the person who habitually uses it.

Only last Wednesday a Medford woman received an air-mail letter mailed from Chicago on Monday, which gives an idea of the saving in time this service provides. Every business man knows how, when he receives a stack of mail, he quickly picks out the air-mail first, because it attracts his eye, and he at once assumes it is deserving of his immediate attention.

When the people realize that only eight cents added to two cents for two ounces, gives this premium of value to their correspondence, more general use of air-mail will follow as a matter of course.

The solution of the problem appears to rest upon education. The people will use the air-mail more generally when they understand its many advantages more clearly. So look into the air-mail, Brethren. The more you understand it the more you will like it, and the more you add to the volume of air-mail from this port, the better chance Medford will have of taking that leading part in air-mail and air-transportation development, to which its natural advantages entitle it.

WHAT ABOUT HAWLEY?

THE NEW YORK TIMES,—A Democratic newspaper,—does not seem to agree with certain newspapers in Oregon that, under the stress of political excitement, maintain that Congressman Hawley is of no account, and his recent election as chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee is an empty honor.

The Times runs a portrait of Hawley and declares:—Mr. Hawley is the first man from the Pacific Coast and the second from west of the Mississippi River ever to reach the chairmanship, which ranks above all other positions in the power of the House to give its members, except those of speaker and majority floor leader. The group over which he will preside is one of the most distinguished in the House. In it are men chosen for their ability to discharge the function which under the Constitution devolves on the House—originating the national tax and other revenue bills.

Predictions are being made that under Mr. Hawley's leadership a new protective tariff bill will appear next year if the Republican party is returned to office. Mr. Hawley is regarded as one of the deepest students of the tariff in the House. When the last tariff was enacted he analyzed its provisions and gave a historical account of tariff legislation by his party that brought him recognition as an expert. He has been through two tariff debates and is a firm advocate of the Republican theory of protection.

If these facts are not true, will someone kindly explain why a newspaper of the standing of the New York Times, opposed to the party Hawley represents, should go out of its way to boost the Oregon Congressman and misrepresent the facts concerning him?

QUILL POINTS

Americanism: Brilliant white teeth in a smiling countenance enclosing a hot dog.

The early bird gets the worm, but what does the early worm get? Well, the one next door gets his own breakfast.

News photographs should be fresh, though it's all right to use that old one of Wales dismounting.

"How you like to try a parachute?" asked the Chicago gangster. "Me," said his pal, "I only need one-ashoot."

Correct this sentence: "The reason I like fans," said the umpire, "is because they're so fair and reasonable."

THE NEBBS—The Blow

SEYMOUR JONES LEAVES. SALEM, Ore., May 15.—(AP)—Seymour Jones, state market agent, left last night for Washington, D. C., to attend a convention of weights and measures officials, called by the federal bureau of standards. Mark D. McAllister, state corporation commissioner, left yesterday for Dallas, Texas, to attend a convention of building and loan officials.

BRIDGE ON UMPQUA. SALEM, Ore., May 15.—(AP)—Bids for the construction of a bridge over the Umpqua river at Scottsburg on the Drain-Roadsport highway will be opened by the state highway commission at a meeting in Portland on May 18.

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 in queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, in care of this newspaper.

DO THE MOVIES 'EM?

A thoughtful reader writes: "I wish the movie houses would throw on the screen the city law that persons sneezing or coughing in a public place shall be liable to cover their nose and mouth. Would it not be a simple picture that could be flashed on the screen in a few seconds show people how most common sicknesses are carried in the movie spray and teach them to be more careful about covering coughs and sneezes?"

Another suggests: "In view of the simplicity of the method and the vital importance of it, would it not help life saving if the method were demonstrated frequently on the moving picture screen? Such a film could be shown in a fraction of a minute, if the essential manipulations were all that the picture offered. The frequent running of such a film would impress the method on the minds of even indifferent spectators, not to mention the majority of patrons of movie shows who would naturally like to know how to be of service in emergencies."

Both correspondents would seem to attribute real educational value to moving pictures. This is an estimate in which I cannot join. The movies may have their influence in propagating certain ideas, but the great educational value of the cinema as heralded by Mr. Edison and other prophets has failed to materialize. We still get most of our information or knowledge through the written and spoken word. A child would be unfortunate indeed if he had to depend to any considerable degree upon pictures, still or moving, for his education.

However, both of these suggestions are excellent. I should say, if there is a law or ordinance prohibiting open face coughing and sneezing in public places, it is only one of the many jokes the health authorities play upon the public. Such laws or ordinances do not particularly interest any business or commercial body and therefore are not likely to be enforced if enacted. But pass a silly little regulation prohibiting the sale of second hand mattresses and see how rigidly your alleged public health department will enforce it—for this is an excellent law for the mattress business.

The representation of the usual mode of infection by a sketch or cartoon on the movie screen might help to enlighten some children, though I doubt whether this lesson would effect any reforms among adults who have yet to learn not to cough or sneeze with nose or mouth uncovered. Such persons require a more vigorous kind of instruction. And even if the entire population became sufficiently intelligent and polite to cover all coughs and sneezes, we should still have plenty of sickness and disability from respiratory infections transmitted in the ordinary conversational mouth spray, which carries four or five feet—far enough to catch most persons one talks with.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Biology In biology I learned that at the gateway of the stomach there are two jaws placed by nature which crush all food that has escaped the process while in the mouth. These "jaws" we learned, are not as well adapted as teeth to this purpose, and in giving out would be the source of digestive trouble. This explains the evil of not chewing one's food.—(Miss W. E. H.)

Answer—No such function is served by the gateway to the human stomach. Your conception of this illustrates a grave mistake in education—the attempt to include such a vital and fundamental subject as human physiology in a general biology course. It can't be done, and the wise teacher will not attempt the impossible. I wish I could refer you to a textbook or other source for a clear understanding of the nature and action of the gateway or cardia of the stomach, but I can find none adapted to high school use. It is advisable to chew thoroughly all carbohydrate food (such as vegetables, fruits, cereals), but this is not so important in the digestion of meats or fats.

Hives I have the hives. How can I get rid of them? I have had them for about three weeks. What causes

hives? I'd like to prevent a repetition, if that is possible. (M. L. H.)

Answer.—Usually hives are caused by the entrance into the blood of some undigested or foreign protein substance. Send a stamped envelope bearing your address, and ask for instructions, mentioning that you have hives, do not send clippings.

Not by a Jugful 1. What is your opinion of the revigator and will cooling water with life make it less healthful? (2) What is your cure for a bed wetter of six years? (3) Where can I get a pamphlet for instruction of eight-year-old girl? (Mrs. E. S.)

Answer.—(1) My opinion of the revigator is best expressed in two words, to-wit, ha and ha. (2) I have no cure for anything. (3) Write the bureau of the public health service, treasury department, Washington, D. C.

Body, Eh! I am about to enter the holy state of matrimony and would like to know if there is any way you can suggest whereby one could postpone the coming of children. (L. J.)

Answer.—The best way would be to postpone the marriage. (Copyright John F. Dille Co.)

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Wants Guide to Voting To the Editor: A number of newcomers to our

Rippling Rhymes

By 'Wah Maew'

THE TRAGIC OUTLOOK

It is a tragic thing to one who labored through his prime, who's toiled and sweated in the sun and salted every dime, to think that when he goes to sleep beneath the churchyard stone, his children soon will cease to weep, and blow in every home. He knows the value of a coin, how hard it is to gain, secured by aching limb and loins, reward of stress and strain; he's skimped and labored, early, late, and now that he is old, he thinks the children only wait to throw away the gold. They do not treasure every cent as he has always done, in fact, they seem inhumanly bent on foolish, costly fun. They want a radio installed, regardless of expense, so they can hear jazz music lawled and speeches lacking sense. They want a finer, better car than he is wont to drive; luxurious these youngsters are—they do not wish to have. They want to see a movie show three nights a week at least; and so the sacred nickels go, expenses are increased. They are not patient when he tries his methods to explain; they look at him with weary eyes, and seem to have a pain. So he is brooding over his wad, he looks ahead and sees his hard earned ducats blown abroad like leaves upon the breeze. He is embittered in his age, the outlook bleak appears; and he gives way to fits of rage, and streams of idle tears. He's worried to untimely doom, the poor old to-be-cursed soul, and when he's laid within his tomb the children take his roll; and oftentimes they double that, and the market's smoke; and each becomes a plutocrat instead of going broke.

Everyman's Bible Class to Entertain

The Everyman's Bible class of the Christian church will give a salmon bake in the recreation hall of the church Thursday of this week at 6:30, for the wives of the members and for the members of the Alpha Delta class and their husbands.

FOR CONGRESS

county have expressed a wish to be guided as to how to vote in the coming primaries on local candidates, of whom they know little or nothing, and I am writing you to ask if a representative body of citizens might not endorse a ticket through the papers or your paper publish a suggested ticket. For a number of years the Oregonian did that when I was living in Portland and our entire family of voters and friends voted as the paper advised, as we felt our ignorance of both men and issues to be too great to be worthy of decision. Voting intelligently has become a very difficult matter to the busy man or woman absorbed in the details of daily life, and some guide is needed. I, myself a comparative newcomer, feel uncertain about all the candidates except the county school superintendent, of whom I have some knowledge and such men as the men at the Elks club recommend informally, which my husband tells me about. If any considerable group of people endorse a candidate, one feels that that candidate must not be utterly without ability.

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Political Announcements

FOR SHERIFF I am a candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff, primary May 18. CHAR. D. STACY, May 17.

I am a candidate for republicans nomination for Sheriff at the May primaries. I have had experience in both tax and criminal departments and promise efficient and economical service. GEO. B. ALDEN, May 17.

COUNTY CLERK I am a candidate for republican nomination for county clerk; promising personal attention, economy and courtesy. G. R. CARTER, May 17.

I am a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk on the Republican ticket. A. J. CROSE, May 17.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the republican nomination for County Clerk. CHESTER PARKER, May 17.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the Republican nomination for County Clerk for a second term. DELILLA STEVENS MEYER, May 17.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT I am a candidate for the republican nomination for school superintendent. V. A. DAVIS, Medford, May 17.

I am a candidate for the Republican nomination for county school superintendent. G. W. MILAM, May 17.

I am a candidate for nomination on the republican ticket for the office of County School Superintendent. SUSANNE HOMES CARTER, May 17.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER I am a candidate for re-nomination on the republican ticket for County Commissioner. If nominated and elected I will continue to do my best to give the people an economical business administration. VICTOR BURRELL, May 17.

I am a candidate for the office of county commissioner, subject to the will of the republican party at the May primary. J. G. LOVE, Snowy Butte Orchard, Central Pt.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY I am a candidate for renomination in the Republican primaries, May 18th. I stand pledged to guard the taxpayers from long, unnecessary, expensive trials or investigations by securing pleas of guilty and speedy convictions. In 1927 I handled 438 criminal cases, secured 7 convictions from 1 trials and 480 pleas of guilty. ONE GOOD TERM DESERVES ANOTHER. NEWTON C. CHANEY, May 17.

I am a candidate for the Republican nomination for District Attorney at the May primaries. I am a native Oregonian and have practiced as a trial lawyer and prosecutor in Oregon for 14 years. I believe my record shows I am qualified for this position in every way. "PUT A LAWYER IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE." ALLISON MOUTON, (Paid adv)

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Abe Martin



Who recalls when a pound of strong butter used to wreck the home ever so often? "Yes, Mamie's still in college, but several burlesque shows have been after her," said Mrs. Em Moots, today.

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