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Ye Smudge Pot

The time has come for the installation of mud-guards on our religion, inasmuch as the pulpit has become a stump for the dissemination of political hate and venom hurled in the name of the Lord, and a bitter time will be had by all.

There is about as much religion in politics as there is refinement in the bootchy-booty dance, and the average politician is as worthy of manifesting religious fervor as a politician in the bootchy-booty dance.

The first martyrs of the season have appeared, and will be followed by an abundance of Professional Rescuers of the Civic Welfare.

Lady Ford-Cumpe of the local imitation British set, did a bit of crowing yesterday, because her beau has no more manners than a Portland drummer.

These are the dog days and, according to East Side residents, they have also set the nights.

A citizen has observed a pair of golf balls that looked like they were not going to drop off the next step. The chief charm of golf balls is their insecurity.

The women-folks are still making jelly that foams.

The next drinker-cum is going to be sprayed with arsenate of calcium.

The niftier Galsheviks are now doing their hair up in the back, and keeping ear-ring addicts.

General Noble of Italy, who exhibited his yellow streak to the world during the Arctic disaster, will now come to America. It was the intention to give him the cigarette blindfold test, and leave the blindfold on.

Colonel Landbergh is a little older than he was a year ago—(Sacramento, Cal., Rep.) Time is sneaking up on a hero.

Rauciously stripped ammunition-ables for males, continue to flare in the store windows.

Oratorical construction of a railroad across the state is well underway.

LOS ANGELES 212 long hours in Los Angeles? Or God?

What have I done that this should come to me?

Or I did this. You black, iniquity-strewn me, you are a hoodlum in the depths of triple darkness, hoodlum I feel.

But did not know anyone like this could be.

Horror on horror piled indignantly. The glory is departed, blighted.

And what shall I say to you now, I pray.

That once I strove with horses in Omaha.

Billings, Seattle, Detroit, Cleveland. All is around me confusion and a blur.

I hear thy squalling, howay, and see such blondes as gentlemen prefer. (Literary Digest.)

Rags wanted at the Mail Tribune office. Must be clean.

MEDFORD and Southern Oregon extend a hearty welcome to the visiting artisans and trust that the convention here will, in every way, be a most successful one.

The United Artisans are an organization of workers. They represent no cult or creed, no political or religious purpose, but a large body of men and women, throughout the country, bound together by the bonds of useful service, with fraternal insurance for mutual protection as an important item.

At this somewhat hectic period, with political passions rampant and outbursts threatening, it is particularly refreshing to welcome an organization, which recognizes none of these distinctions, and extends a hand of welcome and good fellowship to all American citizens, men and women, who in their respective communities, are engaged in some useful and self-respecting pursuit.

IS THE TARIFF AN ISSUE?

SOMETIME ago we published an editorial, ridiculing Campaign Manager Work for maintaining the main issue in this campaign to be the tariff.

We called attention to the fact that the democratic party at its recent convention, not only abandoned its traditional opposition toward a protective tariff but explicitly adopted the protective principle. We commented upon the fact, that if the democrats continue along the line adopted under the leadership of Al Smith, their slogan will soon become:

"Vote for us for we are more republican than the republicans."

We are now in receipt of a communication from William Allen White of the Emporia (Kan.) Gazette, sent just before his departure from Europe, which gives a different sidelight upon the tariff issue, and suggests that we were wrong in our judgment that the tariff is not an issue.

The editorial is too long to print entire, but the following excerpts will give Mr. White's idea, which appeals to us as a very interesting one:

The democrats have shifted their position on the tariff. They have abandoned Grover Cleveland's tariff for revenue only. They now stand in their platform for a protective tariff. But republican leaders are right, dead right in declaring that the tariff is after all a great issue in this campaign despite the fact that the democrats have come over to the republican position.

The republicans must take issue with the democrats on the tariff because of the position in which the democratic party finds itself today. The party of Jefferson is controlled by its urban democracy, which means the little and big Tammanys in all of the American cities who dominate the state delegations in the north and west. The rural south has lost its hold on the democratic party. Therefore in joining issue on the tariff republicans join issue with Tammany on the tariff. The republicans still remain the party of the rural west and north.

Changing conditions in the last three years since the Macmaster bill was adopted, have made it vitally necessary to increase the tariff on all agricultural products. That is to say, frankly and brutally, the American farmer must no longer be in competition with the peasant labor of Europe and South America. The tariff must be raised to increase the price of farm products.

Now when the tariff is increased to protect the American farmer, it will probably make an actual increase in the price of these articles for dwellers in the coast cities. They have their labor organizations and can protect themselves. But will Tammanys, big and little, across the land that now dominate the democratic party, stand for this increase in the tariff on farm products?

There is the issue in this campaign. The American Tammanys from New York through Boston, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Detroit, Minneapolis, Kansas City, and San Francisco, are bitterly opposed to the ideals and standards of rural America. They will be as consistently anti-American on the tariff as they are in immigration and prohibition, and other vital expressions of the old American ideals, ideals that have come out of a population reared in farms, villages, and small cities.

Al Smith and his leadership in the democratic party for the first time have opposed with all the force of a great party, the traditional ideals upon which the American republic is founded. Traditionally this republic has been slowly developing into the kind of a decent moral nation—a nation which would abolish vice—a nation with a high economic standard—a nation with justice between men and neighbors dispensed by a strong paternal government; the kind of a place which the average Puritan farmer would like his son and daughter to live in—prosperously, peacefully, decently, under a government enforcing the moral standards of a New England conscience.

The tariff is fundamentally one of the agencies of that orderly civilization. It is now vitally needed by the American farmer. But the kind of a tariff the American farmer needs is exactly the kind of a tariff which a short-sighted Tammany-republican party will instinctively—even if mistakenly—regard as vicious and devastating to the masses of the great cities. Here is the tariff issue of this campaign.

QUILL POINTS

Florida lots should be a good buy, now they're selling at \$2. The alligators on them are worth that much.

Those fellows got around the world in twenty-four days, but it takes at least thirty if you "do" all of the cathedrals.

A typical magazine editor is one who yearns for stuff that is clever and yet as dumb as he thinks his readers are.

Philosophy is the comforting realization that weeds look about as green as grass if you keep them mowed.

Still, it takes a lot of nerve for America to denounce the Bolsheviks because they let the children run wild.

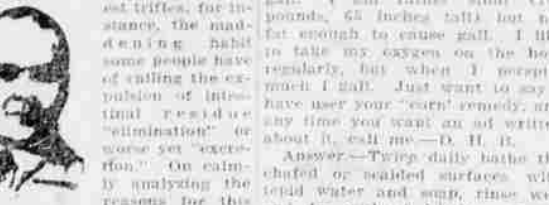
MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Knows as Little About This As Mutt Does.



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.

Fortunately I have also soft arteries and a youthful blood pressure though not enough hair to go crazy about. I get all fussed up a little while over the hair and wrinkles, but in the end, the maddening habit of some people have of sniffing the expiration of intestinal residue or "elimination" or worse yet "excretion." On calmly analyzing the reasons for this I find that it is because these terms imply that the residue of digestion is "toxic" or at any rate the person who uses the terms in this way takes "auto-intoxication" for granted. There is no such condition. It is nothing but a freak morbid theory. No medical authority or other scientific person has ever demonstrated a "toxin" or any "toxic material" or anything of a harmful or poisonous nature in the blood or in the system that has come from the intestine. No one has ever been able to show that any toxic or poisonous matter is absorbed from the intestinal canal into the system, except in grave and fatal illness.



Do not be deceived by the glib allusions of freak healers and plausible charlatans to the cheerful way in which Nature (always) splays nature with a capital N if a quack is interested) disposes of the "toxic wastes" or neutralizes the "toxic" state, once the fester's dirt, manipulation or other treatment is started. And do not try to listen in on medical discussions and run off with the idea that you understand what the doctors are talking about, for if you do you are liable to get in trouble. When doctors talk about toxins or sepsis or anything like that, they refer to the products of disease, such as growth and multiplication; for instance the toxin of diphtheria or that of tetanus. They do not refer to any imaginary poison formed in the blood and absorbed into the system. So don't be a sucker and attempt to solve your own doctor on the basis of what you think you know and don't let the ignorant quack who has to canvass for business fill your mind with his balderdash about "toxemia"—as likely as not he doesn't even know what the word means, and if he does, he couldn't tell a disease germ from a cockroach. Nay, I have seen more than one fat healer's bait impudently explaining how his method dispels the toxic matter, although in the same advertisement the fellow blatantly denies that germs cause disease!

Toxins are indeed violent substances and when a few bits of any toxin gets into anybody's blood there is no doubt at all that the individual is sick. But first the toxin must get into the blood. As long as it is only in the stomach or in the bowel, it can't do any harm. You can swallow rat-bait and vomit with impunity. There is no danger if you do swallow some innocently when seeking the worm made by a snake-bite. But if there is a wound, or a scratch or a puncture, an abscess or other break of the mucous membrane through which the poison may be absorbed, then you are in real danger.

It is a good health rule, I think, never to get intoxicated at all. But this rule won't do for auto-intoxication because that is a poisoning that affects only your mind and if you're a simple sort you'll be auto-intoxicated whenever any charlatan tells you you've got it. You're hypnotized rather than intoxicated.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Emergency Emetic. A Year or two ago you suggested some liquid that might be kept on hand for use in emergencies to make a child vomit quickly. Please repeat the directions, as we want to keep it in our medicine chest. Mrs. F. A. E.

Answer—The grain of copper sulphate dissolved in a tablespoonful of water, is the most reliable and the quickest emetic I can suggest. You might keep a few one-grain tablets of copper sulphate. If you can obtain them. Or if not, then have the druggist dissolve two grains of copper sulphate in one ounce of water in an ounce glass.

Communications

Thanks for Publicity. On behalf of Medford unit of the American Legion Auxiliary, we wish to extend to you a vote of hearty appreciation for the many courtesies granted our convention guests and department officers, while they were in attendance here during the Legion and Auxiliary convention. Also to say thank you for the complete publicity and ready co-operation at all times.

Sincerely, MARY E. CHANEY, President. BELVA AIKEN, Convention Chairman.

Miss Willie in Finals. EASTHAMPTON, N. Y., Aug. 12.—Miss Helen Willie entered the final round of the invitation tennis tournament at the Maidstone club today by defeating Margaret Merrill of Dedham, Mass., 6-1, 6-1.

Rippling Rhymes

(By Walt Mason.) TO THE POINT How blessed is the charming skater who makes his message brief and straight, without a loss of time, who knows you have a lot to do, and that to talk an hour or two is little short of crime. Some men can't get right down to facts, and say they're selling sealing wax, or books or overalls; before they try to make a sale they're prone to tell a funny tale, to charm you and amuse. And when the funny tale is told it finds you feeling grim and cold, and baleful thoughts survive; you shoo the salesman from your door and tell him to return no more. It he would live and thrive, Men come soliciting your aid for projects which should make the grade, since they have inward worth; instead of telling what need, these men disperse on earth. They must "lead up" to what they wish, and so a lot of bank they drain, and think they're entertaining and you're bored, because they haven't learned to say just what they're driving at; they must arrive by slow degrees, with weary jest and quip and wheeze, and lope through the hat. How I admire the jaunty lay who tells his errand right away, who has no jokes to tell! I buy the things he has for sale, I spend with him my treasured dale, I love him trassing well.

Personal Health Service

This will keep indefinitely. Half of all of it is a proper emetic dose for infant or adult. This Girl Has Galls. Please tell me what to do for galls. I am rather stout (130 pounds, 65 inches tall) but not fat enough to cause galls. I like to take my exercise on the floor regularly, but when I exercise I have user your "stomach remedy" and any time you want an ad written about it, call me—D. H. H.

Answer—Treat daily with the chafed or scalded surfaces with lead water and soap, rinse well and dry without friction. Rub a thin coat of fresh castor oil over the irritated surface, then a heavy dressing with zinc stearate powder. When the irritation subsides an occasional application of witch hazel will render the skin less irritable.

Casualty Poison. Are there any harmful effects from the continued use of mercurized ointment on the face?—M. E. B.

Answer—The Kansas state board of health chemists reported that it contained 10 per cent ammoniated mercury. Ammoniated mercury is a caustic poison. When applied with the purpose of peeling the epidermis, it is harmless if you suffer no burn or inflammation, but the use of any such caustic seems to me a pretty risky practice where a complexion is at stake.

Geographic Tongue. I have what the doctors call geographic tongue full of cracks and holes and which outline suggesting a map, but none of them has been able to remedy the condition.—C. V. C.

Answer—As far as I can learn, we don't know the explanation for this curious appearance of the tongue.

Ford Brakes Offer Ideal Combination

In the new Model A Ford braking system the public obtains the ideal brake combination—full internal expanding brakes on front and rear wheels, service and emergency. This system embodies the highest safety factor.

The new Ford brakes are made possible through the Ford steel shock wheels to which drums can be fitted of such design as to suit any accommodate two sets of internal brakes on the rear wheels. This is combined with the well-known advantages of full internal expanding brakes with all working parts enclosed.

This affords protection against mud, water, sand, road dirt, grease or other foreign substances entering the brake mechanism or between the bands and drum, as is the case with external contracting brakes where these parts are exposed.

The service brake system on the Model A car is a complete four-wheel brake system with internal expanding shoes on all four wheels, operated by the foot pedal. It is a complete braking system.

However, in order to provide the utmost in safety and to comply with the spirit as well as the letter of all existing laws and regulations, the Ford Motor company has added a complete and distinct parking or emergency braking system. This consists of two internal expanding brakes on the rear wheels operated by a hand lever and entirely independent from the four-wheel service brakes.

In this combination of two braking systems the Model A driver has a maximum in safety. Both sets of brakes are of mechanical design, of simple construction, insuring positive action and highest efficiency at all times with the least liability of getting out of order.

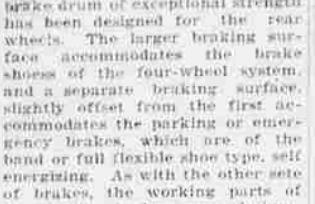
In an emergency either set of brakes will bring the car to a quick, smooth halt.

All that any brakes can do is to brake the wheels of the car. The brakes on the new Ford car are designed to effect this function smoothly, quickly, and with the least possible effort on the part of the driver. Tests have proved them more than adequate in attaining this result.

The four-wheel brakes, as has been stated, are of the expanding shoe type and are self-centering. A new Ford development, which means that under all circumstances the entire surface of the shoes contacts with the brake drum whenever pressure is exerted to bring them into action. The brake on each of the four wheels has two shoes, a total of eight shoes in all, and these expand to contact with the brake drum. Plates upon which the braking mechanism is mounted are of pressed steel and all working parts are cadmium plated to prevent rusting.

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RACING CARS ARE YET IN SERVICE

What becomes of the Studebaker cars that break endurance and speed records is a question often asked by motorists who find it hard to believe that any car, regardless of its durability, can stand up under the strain of long sustained speed such as the famous 25,000 mile run and still be in condition to run after the grind has been completed.

The best answer is found in a pair of strictly stock Studebaker Commander roadsters, both of which covered 25,000 miles on the Atlantic City speedway at an average speed of 65.31 miles per hour. Both cars are now in daily service, and both have more than 50,000 miles on their speedometers.

One of these famous Commanders is in the hands of Al Jenkins who holds the transcontinental record from New York harbor to San Francisco bay, made with a fully equipped stock Commander sedan. The other is serving Ralph Hepburn, the race pilot, who is campaigning the big board speedways this summer in quest of the American Automobile association racing championship.

That the Commander loses none of its championship speed in spite of the most severe use was demonstrated not long ago on the boards of the Atlantic City speedway during the unique tests in which women drivers piloted Studebaker cars in 500 mile endurance runs.

One of the cars used was Al Jenkins' Commander roadster. When the first of the four feminine pilots settled herself behind the wheel for the start of the run, the speedometer registered just 51,650 miles. During the next 388 minutes the Commander proved the old saying that a stout heart knows no age by whirling around the mile and a half board speedway at an average speed of 77.21 miles an hour for 500 miles.

Many times during the run the speedometer pulled just the "out" mark. At the end of the run the pilot who drove the finishing laps was so jubilant over the performance of the car that she kept on going for another 5 laps, turning them at an average of 82.1 miles an hour just to prove that neither the she nor the car were the least bit worn by their experience.

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By BUD FISHER