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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

The group of Oregon citizens suffering from the delusion that nothing matters much, but fish and fishing, will present in the voters on the November ballot, four bills designed to maintain four streams of the state for fish and fishing, to the exclusion of agriculture, mining, lumbering, and power. It is not much of a dancer, posterity is not apt to appreciate the preservation, and there is no apparent will rush to the rivers for recreation. There is also admission to "the fishing industry." The industry involved in fishing is too long a story to tell here, except that most of the salmon devoured in these parts are caught, packed and shipped from Alaska. A vicious campaign will be waged in all the fishing harbors of the state, for the passage of the bills. People who never spent a lifetime endeavoring to catch a steelhead, will be silly and maintain that it is about time some legislation tending to divert financial investments elsewhere, was conceived.

Another son of very young age arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin on the 3rd inst. (Slovakian Sentinel). It should be mentioned, however, that he is getting older every minute.

Miss Ruth Elder, who capitalized a ducking in the Atlantic ocean, while attempting a flight across the same, and acted so snippy towards her husband that he has filed a suit for divorce, and then started for the South Pole with Com. Byrd, comes close to being the well-known bird. Ruth states that next to her aviation career, she thinks of her home-aloft she has none.

The localite who has changed his political faith more often than he does his shirt, is still being eluded by the Pope. The Pope is considerate. He always chooses the localite into the shade.

Road crews are fixing the country roads, and fixing is the right word.

The waffle season has officially opened, and the cooks seem to have put too much pastebored in the batter.

The writer unexpectedly won an argument from Bill Gore late Friday.

Muff Wilson, who was court-martialed by the Democrats for the legislature, without warning, has fled to Texas.

A Fresno, Calif., boy, 9, pulled the triggers of a double-barreled shotgun, necessitating four adults having shot extracted from their bodies. It was an accident, and it does not seem to set an age limit on babies.—Pine Grove, Mo. Record.

Mont Patent Wisconsin of the Week.—The state health authorities say that babies should wear as little clothing as possible during hot weather. But the health officers do not seem to set an age limit on babies.—Pine Grove, Mo. Record.

A good soaking rain is needed, so the sleeping awakenings can dry a light colored hat a darker hue.

The response to the appeal for financial aid to our own people and near neighbors, crushed by the havoc of a hurricane, is less than what the starting Armenians would get without asking. The Armenians are artists at starving.

The wind-blown hob is the popular coffee at the Gatesville, and some better come in out of the breeze.

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THE LITERARY DIGEST POLL

WHILE the first returns of the Literary Digest poll show Hoover leading Smith by over two to one, it would be premature to celebrate the former's victory, even assuming that this year the Literary Digest will forecast the result as accurately as it did four years ago.

The returns from only five states are listed, and the Digest points out that the first returns in 1924, covering a similar area, gave Coolidge a four-to-one advantage over Davis. As the poll progressed this lead was reduced to two to one, and if the Democrats show a similar gain this year, then the result will indicate what the Mail-Tribune has predicted from the outset, a very close election.

The present poll shows the following totals:
Hoover Smith
California 441 206
Maryland 867 479
Nebraska 2,340 1,136
New Jersey 15,429 6,586
Wisconsin 2,688 1,815
Totals 21,756 10,222

The interesting feature of this poll, however, is not contained in the totals—although as long as they continue in the present proportion they point to an overwhelming Republican victory in the electoral college—but in the figures showing how the Republicans are switching to Smith and the Democrats to Hoover.

As the poll now stands, for example, in every state but Maryland, the Republican switch to Smith exceeds the Democratic switch to Hoover. In Maryland, however, more Democrats have voted for Hoover than for Smith, and twice as many Democrats in that state have switched to the Republican party than Republicans to the Democratic party.

In all the other states, however, the figures are reversed, the Republican switch to Hoover exceeding the Democratic switch to Smith.

As far as totals are concerned, 2,416 Democrats are voting for Hoover and 4,445 Republicans for Smith, in these five states. The figure also shows that thousands of non-voters in 1924 will go to the polls this year.

It is all very interesting, and because of the accuracy of the poll in the past, future developments will be watched with intense interest by leaders of both parties.

Here is the table to date:
THE LITERARY DIGEST 1928 PRESIDENTIAL POLL

Vote Received up to and including September 11, 1928
HOOPER
1928 How the Same Voters Voted in 1924
Rep. Dem. Soc. P. Lab. Pro. No Vote
California 441 327 47 2 2 62
Maryland 867 429 282 5 2 141
Nebraska 2,340 1,515 429 28 1 357
New Jersey 15,429 11,871 1,507 62 1 7 2,172
Wisconsin 2,688 2,057 150 39 1 5 456
Total 21,756 16,009 2,416 137 2 14 3,178

SMITH
1928 How the Same Voters Voted in 1924
Rep. Dem. Soc. P. Lab. Pro. No Vote
California 206 129 49 9 1 23
Maryland 479 165 249 0 1 125
Nebraska 1,136 424 468 25 1 298
New Jersey 6,586 2,829 2,451 147 4 2 1,153
Wisconsin 1,815 961 424 73 2 255
Total 10,222 4,155 3,631 283 5 1 1,861

QUILL POINTS

What we need is a great magazine filled with articles showing how and why prominent failures got that way.

The truth is, married life is a failure only in localities where all life is a failure.

A successful man's friends outgrow their envy, but they never entirely get over their astonishment.

And who ever expected to see the day when the Grand Old Party would accuse a Democrat of loving colored people too well?

India has fakirs who torture themselves in the name of righteousness, so the American people and their laws aren't unique.

Preparedness encourages peace! Well which fight less, dogs or rabbits?

Hoover isn't a hypocrite, but no man could be the perfect prig some of his admirers think he is.

It didn't help much to move the tank's foot from the brass rail to the accelerator.

A normal man is one who eases his conscience by scorning the brazen creature he used to pet.

Correct this sentence: "My wife's father gives us an allowance," said he, "but I wouldn't accept it if I could find a job."

MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Utters a Great Truth



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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.

PSYCHOLOGY IN A HEALTH COLUMN

I do not guarantee anything, but I believe this article deals with psychology, whatever that may be. Anyway, it seems to call for an apology from me. Not long ago there was something about unrequited love—whatever it is, however, I have had some of it in health love was doing in this column. The critic, however, labored under a slight, though popular misapprehension. He presumed this a "medical" column. He had evidently not read this column much, for he took it for granted that symptoms and diseases and other morbid subjects constitute the proper province of this column. So we had him there. Time and again I have discussed here two habits and offered my personal advice to correspondents who have the habits or who are responsible for the cause of one who has the habit. Time and again I have specifically warned readers that I have no pamphlets, leaflets, tracts, booklets or other printed matter dealing with morbid subjects. When I offer to send correspondents my personal advice, I mean, of course, for the correspondent's personal trouble. I am not here to peddle circulars. Long continued such a service is not a personal health service. No matter how carefully or thoughtfully I might compose a circular or a pamphlet dealing with a morbid subject, it would be likely to have an unwholesome effect on some readers, I believe, and accordingly I simply have no copy or other printed matter to send to correspondents who seek information impersonally.



About these two habits I mentioned, I am perhaps a bit crabbed, if you know what I mean. The first habit is the constipation habit. If the correspondent tells me he has the habit, with no reservations, I am glad to send him my advice for the correction of his habit. I have no cure, remedy or treatment for constipation. I do not get knowledge that there is any such disease.

The other habit is the bed-wetting habit. I have no impersonal information or advice to give about this. If the correspondent tells me his or her son or daughter—or uncle or grandmother or ward—has the bed-wetting habit, I am glad to send the correspondent instructions for the correction of the habit. I offer no cure, remedy, or treatment for bed-wetting, however.

In respect to both of these habits, I deem it rather essential that the victim of the habit or the proper guardian, recognizing, comprehending and unreservedly acknowledging that it is a habit and nothing more. For that reason I am quite crabbed about the form of the request for my advice. If the request is so worded that the recognition and acknowledgment does not seem clear and genuine, I have no advice to send.

This may not be psychology at all. But I was afraid some critic might think so and raise a yodel night.

Readers, let's be friends. If you're a friend of mine you will bear in mind that this is a personal health service.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Salt Water. Just to my wife I ask whether gargling the throat with cleaning the teeth with salted water and drinking a glass of salted water each night before retiring is harmful. I have been told that it causes high blood pressure.—Miss B. E. L.

Answer.—Gargling, brushing teeth, spraying the nose or bathing the eyes, with a solution of not more than a rounded teaspoonful of salt in a pint of water that has been boiled, is perfectly harmless. Some dentists advocate the use of dry salt for brushing the teeth and gums, and I believe that, too, is harmless. But I should not advise drinking salted water. Why not take pure water instead?

Sleeping Partners. Is it harmful for a young child to sleep regularly with an elderly person?—Miss A. B.

Answer.—Not especially. It is always better to sleep separately if possible, as this permits undisturbed rest for everyone. When

Rippling Rhymes
(By Walt Mason.)

CHOOSING A HUSBAND
"Mathinks I'll marry Grimshaw Grease," explained Lenore, my lovely niece, as she sat by my side. "He's asked me fourteen times or more to step up to the parson's door and be his blushing bride. He surely does know how to court, I've found he is a dead game sport, he's easy with the dough; he always treats me like a queen, he hires a costly limousine when we would driving go. I'm tired of making evening dates with stingy and too-thrifty skates who do not spend a dime; but Grimshaw, when we drive abroad, is always brandishing his wail, we have a gorgeous time." "And yet, fat niece," I made reply, "I rather see you wed a guy who isn't quite so gay, who doesn't rank with spendthrift lads, who thinks it wise to salt some seeds against the rainy day. Were I a dandelion bright and fair, with pink silk ribbons in my hair, and paint upon my cheeks, I'd be afraid to wed the skate who cannot keep his budget straight, whose money always leaks. There is much courage in the swain who shows a thrifty, saving strain, when going with a girl who knows he has no coin to spare to blow in like a millionaire, or like a belted earl. I much admire the youth who feels that he must save the silver wheels if he would safely wed; for with a wife he'll have to buy just twice the quantity of pie, of prunes and tripe and bread. And if he really loves the maid he'll know his rubles should be laid securely in the brine; so that when she becomes his wife he'll have the habit to make her life a thing exceeding fine. The spendthrift blows his roll before he weds, the girl, my dear Lenore, and afterwards is broke; the cautious lad, he looks ahead, and thinks of shoes and bats and bread, and you should watch his smoke."

Putting Us on the Map

In progressiveness, Medford, Ashland and other Jackson county cities lead Oregon. An average yearling in Medford, for example, reflects a high standard of intelligence. It is a community of college men and women. The University club in Medford is one of the finest and most representative of higher educational institutions in the country, population considered. The citizens are forward-looking and courageous in their public and business operations. The Jackson county fair, for example, is a picture of progress. It is doubtful if any fruit exhibit in the world has surpassed that at last week's Jackson county show. A year exhibit by the Southern Oregon experiment station showed 225 varieties, with historic facts about each. There were peaches big enough to be pumpkins, and onions with a bulk to almost frighten the on-looker. There were grains and grasses and vegetables from the irrigated farms, in profusion and splendor, a magnificent showing of the producing power of the county in orchard, field and garden. This year's fair was the climax of 14 years of successful shows, and a marvel to all visitors. The plant, in extent, is in itself a splendid exhibit for a county of Jackson's population and wealth. The city of Medford and Jackson county own the grounds, comprising 140 acres, one mile south of Medford on U. S. Pacific highway. Four years ago the county voted a one-half cent levy to erect buildings, and this year voted another mill levy, furnishing \$65,000. New buildings erected this year were the educational, auto and rabbitry, a comfort station and another stock barn, making three. The barns were filled to capacity and stock was turned away this year. There are now 12 up-to-date buildings on the grounds, race-horse stables, mile auto track, half mile horse track, and plenty of parking room. The plant is valued at \$140,000. One of the original features of the fair is that all auto tourists are furnished free tickets that are distributed at the camp grounds surrounding Medford prior to and during the fair. Many of the prize-winning exhibits will be shown at the state fair in Salem next week. Not only are free tickets given tourists on the camp grounds, but many a motor traveler is stopped as he passes and invited to see the show. Under this plan the Jackson county fair authorities are doing a great work for Oregon in calling attention of visitors to their wonderful exhibits of products, an exhibit that is a show in production that they would not otherwise see, and in some respects, a show that cannot be matched elsewhere. —Editorial by B. F. Irvine in Oregon Journal.

making an extended visit with H. H. Goddard. They are boyhood friends. Among picnic campers on Wagner creek last Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Agee and children of Ashland. Jesse Williams killed a fine large buck this season. Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Taylor, September 15th, Bonnie Laurie, a seven and one-half pound girl. Mrs. Mollie and daughter, Mrs. James Berry of Crescent City, Cal., called on her brother, G. A. Briner, last Saturday. Mrs. Albert Annin of Medford and Mrs. Eleanor Perkins of this creek rode horseback to Wagner gap Sunday. Mrs. M. F. Barlow was a caller at the Briner home Tuesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Anderson and family moved to California last week for the winter.

No reason can possibly be assigned to account for this disastrous change in recent years, other than greatly increased neglect of opportunity for Christian work. The gospel team from Central Point gave some good helpful messages on the importance of conversion, bringing out the fact of a change of heart which makes one Christ like. Robert Merritt, a former member of the Sunday school here, who now resides in Central Point, is now a member of the gospel team, gave a helpful talk last Sunday. The title of the lesson for next Sunday is "The Right Use of Christian Liberty." The golden text explains the lesson by saying: "Let no man seek his own, but each his neighbor's good."

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Anderson Creek

Those that spent Friday at the fair were Jas. McDowell and family, Jack Holtman and family, Jas. Mays, wife and daughter, E. J. Center and Mr. Jones and family, Clark McDowell and wife spent Sunday at the home of his brother, Jas. McDowell. Mr. Bailey, Ben Deisman and family and Mrs. Everett Bailey called at the Mays home Sunday afternoon. George Kerby is hauling wood from D. C. Hale's this week. Bill Shannon and wife spent Sunday at D. C. Hale's. Mrs. Hamilton and son and Miss Bruley of Klamath Falls spent the week end at the Mays home. Jim Marquess spent Tuesday in Talent. Claud Clark and family, Jas. McDowell and family spent Sunday evening at Jack Holtman's. Mr. Sanders, wife and children spent a few days on the creek hunting. The hills were full of hunters Sunday all day.

Wagner Creek

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Phelps and their daughters Lola and Rena of Gold Hill were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Briner Sunday of last week. They formerly owned the Kent place on this creek but have been gone from this locality for 26 years. W. O. Lynch of Milray, Cal., spent the week end at the home of his brother, H. S. Lynch. Mrs. G. A. Briner was a business visitor in Ashland Monday. Mrs. Frank Snooks and daughter, Mrs. G. Himmelwright, and baby Velma Lou were callers at the G. A. Briner home Monday afternoon. William Kerby has been quite ill at his home on Yank zuleh the past few days. L. A. Lawhorn of Coquille is

Daily Meteorological Report
Saturday, Sept. 22, 1928.
Forecasts: Medford and vicinity: Fair tonight and Sunday. Not quite so warm Sunday afternoon. Oregon: Fair tonight and Sunday, but cloudy and cooler on the coast Sunday. Low humidity in the interior.
LOCAL DATA
Temperature (deg.)... 90 45
Highest (last 12 hrs.) 99 99
Lowest (last 12 hrs.) 49 48
Rel. humidity (pc) 24 68
Precipitation (in.) .00 .00
State of weather... Clear Clear
Total precipitation since September 1, 1928, .58 inch.
Sunset today, 6:09 p. m.
Sunrise Sunday, 5:59 a. m.
Sunset Sunday, 6:07 p. m.
Observations Taken at 5 A. M.
120th Meridian Time
City Highest Temp. Lowest Temp. East 24 Hrs. Last Night
Baker City 50 42 Clear
Bismarck 72 44 City
Boise 80 52 Clear
Denver 68 46 Clear
Des Moines 70 48 Clear
Fresno 102 64 Clear
Helena 75 46 Clear
Los Angeles 82 56 Clear
Marshfield 98 42 Clear
Phoenix 102 74 Clear
Portland 84 60 Clear
Red Bluff 104 62 Clear
Roseburg 90 50 Clear
Salt Lake City 72 52 Clear
San Francisco 98 58 Clear
Santa Fe 82 48 Clear
Seattle 68 56 Clear
Spokane 78 48 Clear
Walla Walla 78 52 Clear
Winnipeg 40 40 City.
L. W. DICK, Meteorologist.
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By BUD FISHER

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