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## Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

A shipment of inferior floor varnish in three-gallon bottles and artistically labelled, is in our collective midst.

Bunch artists continue to outfit Portland business men and eastern Oregon farmers, and the power trust paid an Oregon editor \$84.00 per annum for editorials.

**A FELINE RAINBOW**  
(Week, Cal. Journal)  
LOST—Young Persian Cat, female, orange, blue and white, having first few vertebrae of tail cut off in a door. Anyone finding, please ship direct to Mr. F. L. South, 542 Water St., Salem, Oregon. Liberal reward.

Col. Lindbergh is still running with that New York chicken, but nothing can be done about it until the nation is saved. The Federated Women's clubs of Iowa are horrified.

A number of dignified thoroughbreds have shown up in the local political ring, and it will never amount to anything until an article shows up that is 99.7 per cent veracious.

Every man, woman and child in America is supposed to have \$16.37, and as some have the \$49 and some have the \$2 cents.

El Bybee, the perf of the Jville region yesterday sold 500 sheep, and came out of the transaction with his pants and a whiskered \$17 hat.

Fill Hamill, whose Republicanism had its feet knocked from under it by a switch of the Tammany Tiger's tail, is mixing his Nore's and a good one have the Smithsonian dose and dem and thoid, and if the forces of evil win in November, will be named minister to Slam.

An Applegate steer passed away Tuesday while impersonating a deer.

No more mud will be hurled at Jim Grievous' cowboy hat, for fear he will don a brown derby.

Measuring of hay is the order of the day in the rural areas, and the best hay is at the bottom of the stack.

William Briggs, Jr., the Ashland colon, was up yesterday and has come to his senses and repented his straw hat.

Old fashioned horsefies will cure cigarette smoking, and several who have taken the treatment, now have both habits.

Several sets of false teeth have been installed this week in local citizens, and it is all West Main street can do to shake any of them loose.

This is the anniversary of the day Columbus discovered America, but the barberships did not discover the significance of the day in time to close up for a fit and proper observance of the name.

Lady Ford Coupe of the local imitation British set, has ceased all diplomatic and social relations with the gentleman friend, who always blew his nose in the same tempo as a Peal horse.

**MAN**  
Jake Dieffer, the bare-chested Pennsylvania, hand like a ham and arms that could wrestle a bull.  
A roast of a man, all soul meat and good fat.  
A slow, thought-chewing, chydian horse of a man.  
(Staff War Poems.)

## NO NEWS OF MISSING SUB.

PARIS, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The ministry of marine was still without news at noon of the submarine Ondine, the ocean craft which is now three days overdue at Bizerta, the support of Tunis. She was found there on a trial trip, having not yet been accepted for the French navy.

The government officials hoped that she had met with some accident, which made it impossible for her to communicate her position, but which did not prevent her from making her way slowly toward her destination. She vessel has a crew of about 40 officers and men. Her commander is noted as an unusually good sailor.

## A DEPLORABLE SITUATION

THE MAIL-TRIBUNE deeply deplores the present situation of the judicial campaign in this district. Regardless of the outcome, so much personal bitterness has been aroused, and partisan passions have become so inflamed, that the entire system of judicial procedure in this county promises to suffer.

As far as humanly possible, the one department of local government that should be divorced from politics is that of the judiciary. And yet as long as judges are elected by the people, particularly at regular presidential elections, the elimination of politics seems impossible.

Perhaps we are unduly pessimistic. But, from our present standpoint, we can see nothing but serious and lasting harm, as the chief by-product of this judicial fight, regardless of which side wins.

And while some individuals may be at fault, the real responsibility for this unfortunate situation, as we see it, rests not upon individuals, but upon the system.

The only consolation—the only gleam of light we can see in this entire judicial mess—is that it may so arouse public disgust and general indignation, that a real start can be made toward taking the judiciary out of partisan politics entirely.

## HOW ABOUT THE FARMER?

IN Omaha, Governor Smith ridiculed Secretary Hoover's contention that one of the first steps in farm relief is a higher protective tariff.

"Why Mr. Hoover and Senator Nye," said the Democratic nominee, "know very well that this is not true. They know that the tariff does not function with respect to major crops."

It is only fair to assume that Governor Smith is opposed to a tariff on major farm crops. For he would scarcely urge a tariff that does no good.

Well, what are the facts? According to government statistics, when the Underwood tariff bill, which Governor Smith has endorsed, and which placed practically all major farm products on the free list, was in force, 18,000,000 bushels of foreign wheat were imported into this country and dumped on the domestic market.

A duty of 30 cents a bushel was placed on wheat, and in the same year, and over the same period of five months, the importations of foreign wheat dropped to 5,000,000 bushels.

Under the free trade Underwood bill, frozen beef and mutton from abroad were dumped upon the American market. Beef steers were sold from \$5 to \$5.50 per hundred, according to government figures.

Under the Republican protective tariff, the same beef steers are bringing from \$13.50 to \$15.80 per hundred. Why? Because under the Underwood tariff in two years this country imported 12,000,000 pounds of mutton and 36,000,000 pounds of beef. Under the Republican tariff in the same period of time the importations fell, respectively, to 2,000,000 and 18,000,000 pounds.

We don't maintain these radical price changes were entirely due to the protective tariff. Nor does Mr. Hoover make any such claim. But he does claim that, in bettering farm conditions, a protective tariff is an important factor, for the simple reason that prices are largely governed by the law of supply and demand, and that by decreasing the available domestic supply, by checking imports, the tariff inevitably betters the price.

But Governor Smith says a protective tariff is not effective. Well, there are the official figures. Some people maintain figures never lie.

If you argue with a fool, listeners wonder which.

With John on a railroad, the Coolidge family may still enjoy travel without paying fare.

Another good memory test is the guarantee of the man who sold you the second-hand car.

If preparedness is the best guarantee of peace, nations appear to be doing their best to make the new treaties effective.

College spirit: A vague interest in a sheepskin; a keen interest in coonskin; a mania for the pigskin.

Death and taxes have points in common, but in some cases death is painless.

A specialist is a doctor who treats troubles that can wait until you have time to visit him.

The cosmetic industry is in a slump, but still contrives to put a good face on things.

Americanism: Observing a gentleman who is trying to avoid a vulgar scene; thinking him afflicted with cold feet.

You don't amount to much if you can't get your name in the paper by flopping to the other party.

## 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 DEMAND FOR REASONABLE DOCTORS

A surgeon charged \$1000 for an operation for cancer of the larynx. The patient succumbed to the shock. The entire cost accounted to \$2500. The state board of medical registration suspended the surgeon's license to practice on account of "gross misconduct," not so much because of the excessive fee, but because the board held that the patient had not received the most careful treatment in preparation for the operation.

This surgeon appealed to the courts and the supreme judicial court denied the surgeon's petition for reinstatement. The court considered a fee of \$500 would be just, in view of the fact that the entire estate was only \$3250.

Now suppose the entire estate had been \$32,500,000, then would a fee of \$300,000 be just.

One factor seems to have been ignored in the case. In some circumstances, even in charity practice, it demands great moral courage for a doctor to attempt to relieve a patient from a desperate situation. The chances are all against even a partial or temporary victory. The patient may die in the operation. If, as happened in this case, the outcome is tragic, the doctor is quite likely to be criticized and his professional reputation is likely to suffer. Too often this is the penalty exacted from the doctor, even if a legal inquiry exonerates him of any fault. I believe the doctor has no recourse in this country. In France it is not so. There he may and sometimes does turn about and demand damages for the injury to his professional reputation by the unjust malpractice charge.

Suppose, again, a lawyer's fee were in question instead of a doctor's. Suppose the client be condemned to death despite the lawyer's effort to save him. Would the court fix \$300 as a just compensation for the lawyer, knowing the client's estate was \$3250? Perhaps so, but if the client were found not guilty and set free, then I dare say, the lawyer would take at least half the money and the court would smother the divvy.

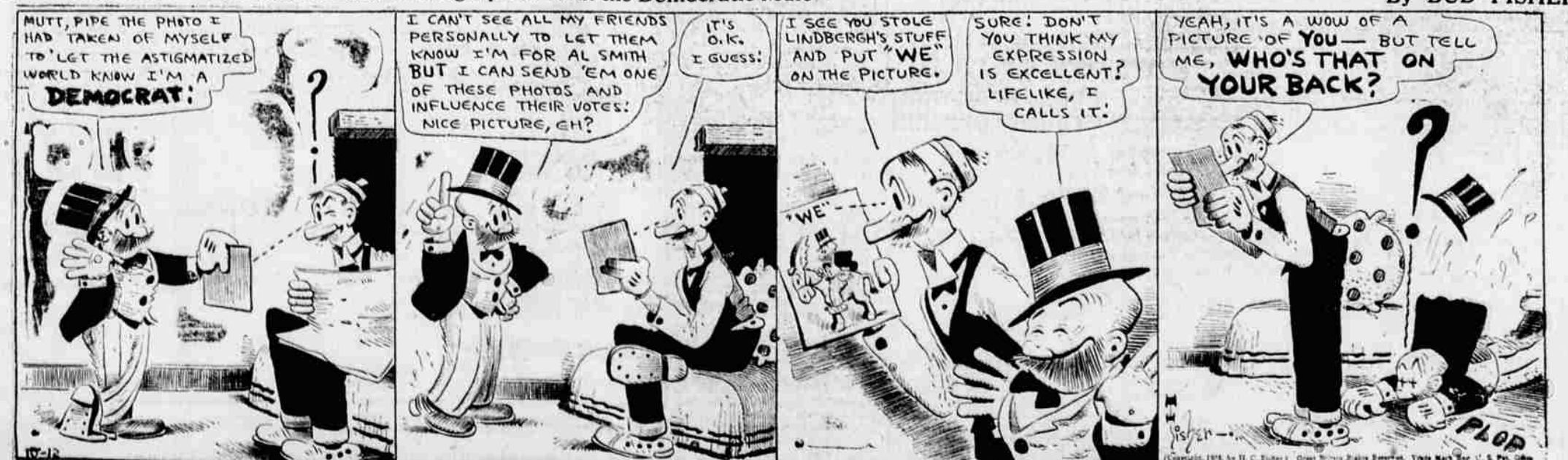
As I see it, the sum a doctor may or should exact as a fair fee is the same whether the patient recovers or not. Indeed I should consider it a dangerous policy for the courts to set up a different custom in this. It is enough that the doctor has to take his reputation in his teeth and defy the tongue of jealousy and slander when he plunges into the rescue of a victim, say, of perforated gastric ulcer. Practically sure death awaits the victim if no surgeon will take the chance of operating; and the surgeon may save the man's life or again the patient may be so ungrateful as to die on the table. It is a bad precedent when the court would seem to favor an additional penalty for failure in such a noble endeavor. I say it is a noble endeavor, for I have seen good and brave men false and retreat when confronted with this very emergency, leaving the patient to his undisputed claim of death.

In every mail comes inquiries like this: "I am about discouraged. I have spent over \$1000 and tried everything without getting any benefit. Can you recommend a reliable specialist who will be honest with me and reasonable in his charges?" I can give no information about physicians' fees. A good doctor should exact a fair fee, is worthy of his hire and worries not at all if anyone considers his fee excessive.

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**  
**This Is Not a Bath Room**  
Some time ago I saw a formula for cleaning a running car in your column. Will you please repeat it with directions. Through your column I learned that ordinary doctors cannot tell tuberculosis of the lungs in its first stage. I want to a sanitarium and was examined. I believe I shall make a complete recovery and want to thank you for that warning. (A. K. H.)

Answer:—The formula was a solution of 10 grains of boric acid in one ounce of pure grain alcohol, but please go to the bath room to clean your car. I feel you will be unable to persuade the druggist to sell you recipe without a prescription.

## MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Has Himself Photographed With the Democratic Mule



## Rippling Rhymes

(By Walt Mason.)  
RISKY BUSINESS

Stock gambling games are doubtless grand for men who think they understand the divers' gins and snares; the men of nerve who do not fear to stake the income of a year, the dauntless bulls and bears. We read of triumphs they achieve, as through the stock exchange they weave, of fortunes they pull down; we read and think of how we have a modest little wad to save, we read and sigh and frown. If others can acquire big rolls, like knocking fruit with ten-foot poles, why can't we do the same? Why put in a nickel at a time, why not get in the game? There comes a time to every man when he'd adopt the shortcut plan for raking rubles in; o'er methods flow his senses and feet, he's in a hurry, he forgets the pitfall and the gin. He's labored like a brindled steer through many a dark and dismal way, to gain his little pile; he used to think it wise and fine to put the copecs down with a smile, he viewed them with a grin. But all at once he feels the urge to make a killing and a plunge, to get rich in a dayable ventures out at last to buy some stock that's sailing wide and high, and throws his coin away. We see him coming from the mart a weary wight with broken heart, who utters vain laments; he looks at us with haggard eyes, and asks us where the poorhouse lies, and borrows fifteen cents. When once the urge to speculate attacks the honest, tollown skate, he faces terrible bleak, unless he has the nerve to say, "I'll stick to my old-fashioned way, and save ten cents a week."

**Blackheads**  
Would you please tell me how to rid my face of blackheads? (J. L.)

Answer:—Yes, write to Dr. William Brady, in care of this newspaper, and ask him to advise you. Don't forget to sign your name, and enclose an envelope with your address and a 2-cent stamp on it.

**Fatal Kiss**  
I would like to know if bad disease can be transmitted by kissing. (R. A. C.)

Answer:—Various diseases may be so transmitted, none of them very good. Among the worst diseases that may be so transmitted is syphilis. A person who has the disease in a communicable stage may appear perfectly well to an ordinary observer.

**Wake Him Gently**  
Please tell me the proper way to wake a person from a nightmare. I have been suddenly awakened several times and I get such a fright I don't get over it for a week. (M. F. J.)

Answer:—It is better to wake one from a nightmare or sleep walking gently. Casually join in the action or talk and gradually impose your will upon the sleeper. (Copyright John F. Dille Co.)

**Ye Poet's Corner**  
The Skinkint.  
I knew an old man who had a great whim.  
Who always said that money stuck to him.  
He was not wise enough to ever spend a cent;  
His heirs spent the money when the old man went.

One bought some oil-land; how folks did scream:  
But when they sunk the drill how the oil did stream!  
Now he is worth a million and his back isn't bent,  
All because he knew enough to spend a cent.

His fist wasn't tight and his vision was long;  
He could see a good thing and seldom went wrong.  
He could gladly spend a dollar and let it come back,  
He knew a good gamble and was always on their track.

It is seldom a skinkint ever makes a stake;  
If he spends a quarter he thinks he will break.  
He will sit and squeeze the eagle till it will squeal.  
By the time he lets go he has lost the whole deal.

—MARY O. CAREY.  
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## Political Talks on Air Tonight

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Local political broadcast from KGW tonight includes:  
8 to 9:30 p. m.—Democratic campaign program from the National Broadcasting System.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Political speakers on the radio tonight include:  
Democratic.  
Walter Lippmann, chief editorial writer of the New York World, at 10:30 p. m. over WJZ and stations of the National Broadcasting company.

**SAMPLE PRESIDENTIAL BALLOT**

I intend to vote for \_\_\_\_\_  
for President at the November election.

I am registered as a \_\_\_\_\_ (Name party)

Signed (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Fill out and mail to Straw-Ballot-Contest-Editor, Mail Tribune, Medford, Oregon).

Senator Royal S. Copeland of New York at 7 p. m. over WJZ and WHAM.

Major General James G. Harbord, metropolitan chairman of the finance committee, and Walter R. Hope, eastern vice-treasurer of the national committee, at 8:30 p. m. over WEAF network.

Senator Hiram Bingham of Connecticut at 8:30 p. m. over WOLF and Columbia chain of 21 stations.

William H. Lewis, former assistant attorney general of the United States, at 11 p. m. over WABC.

Richard Southall Grant, grandson of Patrick Henry, at 11 p. m. over WBBR.

(Times given are eastern standard.)

## Curtis Vetoes Proposed Visit Smith Home City

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—(AP)—A proposed appearance of Senator Curtis, the Republican vice-presidential nominee, in Albany, N. Y., the home town of Governor Smith, was vetoed today by the Republican candidate.

"I never have campaigned in the home city of an opponent," he declared, "and I am not going to start now." I don't play the game that way.

A noon meeting in Albany in about 10 days had been tentatively arranged by the Eastern Speakers' bureau of the Republican national committee for Senator Curtis.

## Anderson Creek

Harry Bright and wife came up to their homestead Monday for two weeks.

Jas. McDowell and family spent Sunday evening with the Jack Holtzman family.

Mrs. Jos. Mays and daughter, Ruth, were Saturday shoppers in Medford.

F. M. Centers spent Sunday with Joe Mays.

Mr. Hushnell is building a house on Mr. Heeson's timber land and will move there and out wood this winter.

Claud Clark and family and Jack Holtzman and family spent Sunday at the McDowell home.

George Young and E. J. Center made a business trip to Medford last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Denzer spent Tuesday evening at the James Mays home.

Geo. Young and Geo. Whelpley are on a hunting trip up on the Rogue river.

D. C. Hale and wife spent Saturday in Medford.

## Could Not Sleep Nights

Helped by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Fairhaven, Mass.—"I am taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound during the Change of Life. When I feel nervous and run-down my husband gets me a bottle right away. It is a great help to me and I think that if other people would only take it when they feel all run-down and take it as the directions say, they would find it a great benefit. My worst symptoms were nervousness and tired feelings. I could not sleep nights and I was so nervous I would cry if anyone looked at me."—Mrs. Ada Pratt, 194 Washington Street, Fairhaven, Mass.

**Political Announcements**  
I am the regular Republican nominee for sheriff of Jackson county. If elected, I will co-operate with all officials in the enforcement of all laws.

CHARLES D. STACY.  
Paid Adv. Route 4, Medford.

**Overhauling Ahead**  
If the rehauling engineers are right, many an old stage melodrama will have to be operated on by sound specialists before its lines can be spoken effectively from the screen.

The movie screen will tell us an "N" here and put in an "X" there, and when the operation is over and the play has been sewed

**Notice to Creditors.**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Mary E. Smith, has been appointed administratrix of the Estate of Laura A. Ryan, deceased, and hereby gives notice that all persons having claims against said estate may present them promptly filed within six months from the first publication of this notice, which publication is October 12, 1928, to the undersigned administratrix at her address at Jacksonville, Oregon.

MARY E. SMITH.  
Administratrix of the Estate of Laura A. Ryan, Deceased.