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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

OSCAR, expert, experts are fighting the "peach curl," which is a disease of the hair.

CAUSE AND EFFECT
(La Harpe Items)
Mr. and Mrs. Henri McDonald had a dinner Thanksgiving day, and he took sick and is down with the flu and Rheumatism. We sure feel sorry for them.

There is some complaint because of the lack of snow on the floor of the valley. The last snow on the floor of the valley was too severe a test for shoe soles made of plaster.

A citizen announces that he "has pulled through the flu." What actually happened: the flu pulled through him.

E. A. Willson was knocked down Saturday night by Ray Vinson in his Ford truck. (Eugene Guard.) No place for it.

The \$5 gold piece is coming back on a watch-chain ornament, and will probably be the forerunner of a vest constructed of \$1 bills.

Stockmen of this region have started selling their cows. After they pay the freight they can't go to the movies, they claim.

Quite a number of the fair sex, of both the blond and brunette varieties, are creating red hair and havoc.

Ground Hog Day was celebrated Thurs. by Jim Grievie at Prospect, his hired man making 82 pounds of sausage.

PREVIOUS TRAINING COUNTS
At the Lincoln county picnic at Vineland, the rolling-pin throwing contest was won by Mrs. W. H. Upsall, who threw the rolling-pin sixty-seven feet. Mr. Upsall won the 100 yard dash for married men. (Found by B. J.)

FANCY WRITING
(Helen Kamm, Register)
We could have believed it when we read about the boy, but the confidence game has been run for years with the Theaving Gang. Oh God how can such things continue in the hour of passion, floors, disaster. A woman can be led by a little girl beggin, we pitied her, gave the change. She was not blind. Little the influence over her child.

We received a greeting from Mrs. J. O. Allen of Tulcia, and wanting to know why we did not write our items in the Register. Well, our bread winner got our grand daughter to keep in school, our working man got an endless job and not in our youth any more, in the reason, is that not enough. We have a lot wanting us to write for a profit from a patent medicine list to an incubator Co. We don't know what we will do yet.

We sure felt the chill blast as we were just getting over the flu and so very weak—wanted to keep our little girl in school, and the house warm for her when she came home.

Will Beasley was over from Moran a gathering up junk a Wednesday. His donkey attracted the children's attention.

Mr. & Mrs. Baker was on the sick list.

Mrs. Gullet and Dortha were tussling with the flu last week. Dortha had to lose several days of school, which we regretted.

Tom Shusher is talking of starting a Tourist Camp and filling station at the corner of his south lot—just the place to coin money, Tom says.

RECOMMENDATIONS IN BUILDING CODE READY
SALEM, Ore., Dec. 29. — (AP) — The state building code committee, named under a resolution of the 1927 legislature, will have recommendations to make to the forthcoming legislature. It was stated yesterday after a conference of the group here yesterday. Another meeting is to be held in about two weeks. A. H. Collier of Klamath Falls, member of the legislature, is chairman of the commission.

BUSINESS STATESMANSHIP

IRVING T. BUSH, industrial leader and founder of the Bush Terminal, has written a book called "Working With the World."

It is written particularly for business men. But we wish some of our senators and congressmen would read it, and seriously ponder the following extract:

"No man ever made a success of putting himself on the back. The Almighty did not build us that way. The man who views his own virtues through the magnifying end of an opera glass, and those of others through the minifying end, has not the spirit that makes for success."

"This is true of peoples as well as of individuals. Each nation is apt to see the good points of its own people, and to belittle the virtues of those who live in other lands."

"I do not hold with those who maintain that we are our brothers' keepers to the extent that we must make ourselves responsible for the troubles of all the world. We have a man-size job at home to keep our house in order. But as our wealth increases, and our money finds investment in the four corners of the world, there are selfish as well as altruistic reasons why we should give consideration to the lives and problems of those who live beyond our borders."

"Sometimes the most successful selfishness is unselfishness. The men who are to make the future of America must have clear concepts of the world and of its problems."

This is not the opinion of an internationalist, a Wilsonian Democrat, or an academic theorist. It is the opinion of a hard-headed and very successful business man.

He believes that a consideration of the interests and points of view of others is not only good morals, but good business. As at the beginning of a new year, one contemplates the state of the world, we feel it is no exaggeration to maintain that the acceptance of such a viewpoint, by a majority of the American people, was never more needed than it is today.

OH, HENRY!

HENRY FORD is undoubtedly one of the most unusual and interesting characters of the present generation. That he is a genius in his own particular line no one doubts, but that when he departs from his special province, and soars with such assurance into foreign fields, he can only be termed a joke, we believe, can't be successfully disputed.

Such a flight is taken by the flivver magnate in the current issue of McClure's Magazine. Mr. Ford casts an appraising eye over the dim and distant past, and calmly asserts that millions of years ago Man was not only a very intelligent animal, but he rode in automobiles, listened to radios, and flew hither and yon in aeroplanes!

This will be of outstanding interest to Science, particularly to those zoologists who have carefully studied the status of man and, through the painstaking collection of visible evidence, pictured his condition, during this period in which Mr. Ford envisages the use of all our modern inventions.

Mr. Ford's hypothesis is more than improbable; it is simply insane. But no man will convince him of his error. For he is essentially a dreamer whose dream in one direction—the one direction in which his genius worked in an atmosphere of knowledge—happened to come true.

So he sees no reason why he should not dream in all directions. Evidence? What does he care for evidence? His creative imagination is at work. The thing is simply there—in his head!

The driver in front needs one more signal meaning she has changed her mind.

A general practitioner is one who can lance a boil without a laboratory test, an X-ray and two assistants.

The girls will be expected to marry for money if the family has nothing to be proud of except ancestors.

It's easy to recognize the new-rich at winter resorts. They didn't bring their overcoats.

It's easy to tell the old boy whose first car had a right-handed drive. He's a left-handed driver.

The prize optimist is the man with an old-maid sister who remains a bachelor in order to keep his freedom.

It must be love if she quits a \$45 job to wash dishes for a man with a \$24 job.

A gnu has gored a zoo keeper. "Now if I gore a few animals," the wounded man tittered, "that will be gnu."

Americanism: Sneering at people who are yellow; hiding your religious faith to keep some cynic from sneering.

The electoral college is different. It takes at least four years to find out how much a session costs.

Civilizing the wilds: Missionaries; politicians; billboards. Americanism: One generation from saucer to demi-tasse.

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 enclosed, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. 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.

WHEN SORE THROAT IS SCARLET FEVER

Every one who has observed scarlet fever knows that sore throat is a feature of the acute illness. A local epidemic of what physicians call septic sore throat may be traced to infection from cows that happen to have an inflammation of the udder. A specific type of pus-producing germ called streptococcus is carried in the milk, and this streptococcus causes the septic sore throat.

Dr. George and Gladys Dick, famous discoverers of the Dick test for susceptibility to scarlet fever and a serum of immunization, proved eight years ago that they could produce experimental sore throat in human volunteers by inoculating with pure cultures of a hemolytic (blood corpuscle destroying) streptococcus isolated from early acute cases of scarlet fever.

It was just about that time I began to get nasty about the epidemic scarlet fever among the common respiratory infections that are likely to be scattered in one's face in any community where the health authorities lend aid and encouragement to the universal cold of a "slight cold."

The Doctors Dick, having proved that one may be infected with scarlet fever and develop the characteristic sore throat, etc., yet not a rash, succeeded in showing a few years later that the identical streptococcus that will produce scarlet fever in one individual may produce a septic sore throat without a rash in another individual and no illness at all in a third individual who happens to have sufficient immunity against the germ.

Still later the Dicks found that persons who volunteered for experiment developed acute sore throat and tonsillitis, with fever, malaise, headache, leucocytosis (increase in the white blood corpuscles in the blood), the illness coming on 41 to 46 hours after inoculation and lasting three or four days—corresponding closely with natural scarlet fever in this respect. The inoculations were made with cultures of hemolytic streptococci isolated from the skin of a patient suffering with erysipelas. In each culture taken from the patient's throat at the height of the illness showed the same strain of streptococcus as that isolated from the skin of the erysipelas patient, but none of these volunteer subjects had erysipelas.

The question arises whether the streptococcus that pollutes the milk from a cow with inflammation of the udder will produce a typical scarlet fever in persons who drink the milk, as we are reasonably sure it produces septic sore throat. Clinical observation seems to indicate that natural scarlet fever may arise from this source in some instances. But this is by no means scientifically proved.

It might be thought that pasteurization of the heating of the food up to 145 degrees F., holding at that temperature and no higher for 20 to 30 minutes; then cooling would destroy any such streptococci in the milk and prevent such epidemics. Probably it would if properly carried out, but health officers are not always trustworthy and sanitary inspectors are not always alert. That is why Montreal had her big typhoid epidemic.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
What No Cure?
I think you stated that "a disease is incurable."—H. O. C.
Answer—No, I have never said any disease is incurable. Nor have I ever said I can cure or have a cure for any disease.

Spinach Water.
We are very fond of spinach. Is the water in it cooked in all right to give the children? I generally use the water for soup or make a sauce of it for the spinach. A neighbor told me spinach water is very bad for children.—Mrs. K. E.
Answer—The water is very good for children.

Metaphorical.
If a man has a floating cartilage in his knee is it necessary

to operate or will adhesive straps or an elastic stocking cure it? If it is a broken cartilage, what should be done?—J. P. T.
Answer—It is a metaphorical question and I can only offer a metaphorical answer. As a rule the only satisfactory remedy is removal of the loose cartilage. This applies whether the cartilage is loose, floating, free, broken or bent. Other measures are just makeshifts or temporary relief. (Copyright John F. Dille Co.)

Even after we've paid everybody in full and sent 'em away smiling, we don't take on the brilliant life we naturally expect. I wonder if President-elect Herbert Hoover'll stop off for a friendly call on our own Virgin Islands where they're starvin' an' a head o' cabbage only gits as big as a buckeye. (Copyright, John F. Dille Co.)

Brisbane's Today

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minister in New York.

Mr. Mills suggests that the enforcement of prohibition be removed from "influence." It is a good suggestion, but hardly worth \$25,000.

Put men in jail that buy from bootleggers and you will discourage bootlegging. But that would not suit the eminently respectable gentlemen that buy from the bootleggers.

President Coolidge will settle for a short rest on Howard Coffin's place in the sunshine of the Georgia coast.

Herbert Hoover is hurrying back to Washington, omitting for the present his visit to Florida, to get ready for March 14.

Washington predicts that Dwight Morrow will be secretary of state. Mr. Morrow's success in Mexico would make that seem reasonable. But predicting for Mr. Hoover is dangerous.

The United States air mail has set a new record for speed, traveling from Dallas, Texas, to Chicago in 6 hours 42 minutes, a good deal of the time at the rate of THREE AND ONE-HALF MILES A MINUTE. Thanks are due the most office for really developing American aviation.

It appears that the estate of the late Judge Gary, head of the steel trust, amounted to less than \$15,000,000.

He could have made more money than that buying himself a little "steel common" back in the war days when he told this writer: "Buy steel. It will soon declare a dividend."

This writer gave the good advice to Albert Lasker, afterwards head of the shipping board, who bought steel. It climbed up from \$50 to \$125 without stopping to take a breath. Knowing all about it, Mr. Gary could easily have made five or hundred millions with a little "pyramiding." But he never gambled.

As to the small amount of steel stock that he left in his estate, the figures do not include what he gave while he was still alive to his grandchildren.

A WASHINGTON BYSTANDER
By Kirke L. Simpson.
WASHINGTON—Young gentlemen with Harvard accents, who feel at home in a tail coat, spats and stove pipe hats, and who rushed hastily into the revamped career foreign service of the government, are awaking to the sad fact that diplomatic life is not all pink tea and cocktails, to say nothing of beer and skittles.

They are actually being required to learn something about the man, their customs, politics and other things of the foreign lands to which they are assigned. Also, which is quite a change in policy, they are being required to stick at each post until they do so learn, instead of skipping about from capital to capital.

Diplomats Settle Down.
Inquiry at the state department develops that diplomatic secretaries are now expected to remain at a post abroad for periods up to four years at a stretch. Examination of the records of many of the present day seniors in the service shows that they were shifted about four or five centuries on opposite sides of the world in a similar period in the past.

Even more drastic, however, is the study being made of reports from all foreign service personnel in the field, consuls or diplomatic. Where there is evidence that the official correspondence is based merely on reading newspapers casually at the post involved and then sending in lengthy clippings and a few general remarks on the political, economic or commercial matters involved, the reporter is promptly shown the error of his ways.

The next mail will bring him a departmental injunction to do a little real research on his own hook if he expects to get a high efficiency rating at home.

Best Men Win.
By way of illustration of this change, the executive decree setting aside the near east as a zone of foreign service specialization is worthy of note. It means that an incoming group of foreign service candidates is surveyed and hand-picked for men of promise.

These selected youngsters are told that if they elect near eastern specialization, they will be sent as vice consuls to such a post for an 18 month probationary period. During that time, in addition to doing their routine work under the handle, they must disclose the initiative and brains to do something in original research in their territory. No suggestions as to the subject are made. They must pick out the job themselves.

Having accomplished that, the youngster is given three years' intensive study in near eastern languages, being required to learn Turkish, Arabic and Persian, one of them very thoroughly and the other two well. Having proved by that time his serious purpose of having actual knowledge and understanding of the near east, he will be kept on duty there at various posts thereafter as a key man in the foreign service system and a mark in efficiency at which others may shoot.

Painting the World.
Some people may be tiring of the movies, but the paint makers of the country apparently get enough pictures from Hollywood. Anyway the M-G-M laboratory reports it has offers from at least half a dozen purchasers for every foot of scrap film on the lot. The old celluloid is converted into varnishes and glossy enamels and automobile paint, and the demand for such paints and enamels happens to have increased much more rapidly than the film wastage at least half a dozen when picture-makers think a certain film is really too terrible to look at, they are all the more likely to look at it later, after it has been sold as waste, turned into paint and spread on the side of a house or an automobile.

Prosperity for Extras?
Speaking of increasing demand, the central casting bureau, through which studios hire their extras, reports the number of daily placements jumped this month from 500 to 1000, a spectacular increase for this season of the year. Ordinarily the placements average 700 a day.

Phonograph-Casting.
King Vidor, looking for a negro "blues" singer to play an important feminine role in his forthcoming all-negro sound picture, chose Victoria Spivey on the strength of a phonograph record. He had never seen her, but the record quickly convinced him he should go out and look for her and sign her. That should encourage screen struck girls to mail their voices to Hollywood and save railroad fare.

Coat Tails Kill.
CHICAGO, Dec. 29. — (AP) — An unusual accident caused William Crewdson's death, a coroner's jury decided last night. Crewdson's coat tails, blown by the wind, were caught in a passing automobile, and he was hurled against his own car and killed.

"Publicly" Sticker.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 29. — (AP) — Mary Elizabeth Wilson, 13 years old, of Olney, couldn't spell "publicly" and thereby lost the Illinois spelling championship yesterday. Ruth Ladd, 12, of Keokuk, won the title.

Screen Life in Hollywood.
By WADE WERNER
HOLLYWOOD, Cal.—Film fans of the older school who still chuckle at memories of the noted John Bunny will be glad to hear that the movies of today have a John Bunny, too. He is a late comedian's son, John Francis Bunny, just a 33-year-old, being required to learn Turkish, Arabic and Persian, one of them very thoroughly and the other two well. Having proved by that time his serious purpose of having actual knowledge and understanding of the near east, he will be kept on duty there at various posts thereafter as a key man in the foreign service system and a mark in efficiency at which others may shoot.

John Bunny
two years before the death of his

Believe Bottle Has Word of Amundsen

TROMSOR, Norway, Dec. 29. — (AP) — It was reported here today that a bottle had been washed up on the coast of Finnmark which contained a message signed by Raold Amundsen and giving an account of the tragedy of the French naval expedition in which he, Captain Amundsen, and four others were lost while on route to the rescue of survivors of the Noble disaster. The report gave no details and local authorities are trying to determine whether it was authentic.

MUTT AND JEFF—Exalted Liederkrantz Geevem Has A Nifty Idea

GEORGE ADE IS GONNA TALK FIFTY MINUTES AND YOU BOZOS CAN EACH TALK TEN MINUTES. THAT'LL MAKE ONE HOUR OF SPEECHES—ALL THE GANG WILL STAND FOR.

FINE, GEEVEM! HOW LONG CAN ME AND JEFF TALK?

HEY, LISTEN! IF ADE TAKES FIFTY MINUTES, AND ME AND JEFF EACH TALK TEN MINUTES, THAT'LL BE ONE HOUR AND TEN MINUTES!

NOPE, THAT'LL BE JUST ONE HOUR!! I'M GONNA HAVE YOUR SPEECHES AT THE SAME TIME AND SAV' TEN MINUTES!

SO THAT'S THE WAY IT IS!

OOWAH! LION TAMERS BATTLE CRY

By BUD FISHER

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