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Editorial Correspondence

CLAREMONT, Calif., Feb. 7.—Floyd Young, our own champion front fighter, has his winter headquarters in an orange packing house in Pomona.

We mated down the four miles to Pomona in heavy rain, and found Floyd looking as fresh and spry as usual, in a clean little office on a sort of mezzanine floor at one end of the packing house.

He offered him a cigaret but he refused. "Can't smoke in here," said he. "Strict rule against it."

The reason may be interesting. The California Fruit Exchange is as you know a cooperative institution, and carries no packing house insurance. Instead there is a mutual indemnity fund, to which the members contribute.

Five losses are paid from this fund. To reduce the chance there are strict rules against smoking. Also rules regarding all waste material of an inflammable nature. The scheme has worked wonderfully well.

Insurance charges for the exchange are very small—about five per cent what they would be in regular old line companies.

"Have you had much smudging this year?" "Very little. There has been a great deal in the Porterville district, the only place in the country where they have below freezing temperatures in fog, but here it has been a quiet season."

We mentioned the smudging near San Bernardino and asked why the clouds of smudge smoke were so light in color—nothing like the heavy black smoke in the Rogue River valley.

"Well, they use the high stack, smoke-consuming type of pot very generally," said Floyd. "In fact this type is necessitated by law within the city limits of Pomona and many other valley towns."

Some of this type are being used in the Medford district, and probably more will be, as the advantages become generally known.

The oranges are packed in a cooling chamber. The cooled oranges are then packed in refrigerated cars en route except in the hottest periods of mid-summer.

Some idea of the extent of the orange acreage here may be gleaned from the fact that during a cold snap, 1899 cars of all size consumed in one night's smudging, 76 percent of the orange growers are members of the California Fruitgrowers Exchange, about 15 percent in another co-operative institution, known as the Mutual Orange Distributors, the remaining nine percent are independent.

Every year the independent percentage grows less, as the greater profits of the cooperative organizations become increasingly apparent.

According to our information the profits of orange growing have been stabilized, but are not increasing, nor is the value of orange land mounting in any noticeable degree.

Organization has eliminated losses, but in this industry as in most others, profits vary with the hard work, and intelligence of the grower.

R. W. R.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP) Management of the Roseburg News-Review, formerly owned and edited by B. W. and B. G. Bates, will be taken over by the Register Publishing company of Eugene, March 1.

The announcement of the purchase was made last night following a conference between Frank Jenkins, president of the Register company and editor of the Morning Register at Eugene.

The Roseburg newspaper will be published daily excepting Sunday. No immediate change in the personnel of the organization is contemplated.

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. 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 SURGEON WILL GET YOU EVEN IF YOU DO WATCH OUT

Gallbladder inflammation called cholecystitis is the cause of "dyspepsia" in the plurality of cases.

Dyspepsia is not a disease or malady, but just the sum of symptoms which annoy the victim or of which he complains when he has some actual organic disease.

When a patient is up to the doctor to find out what ails the patient he can. No medicines purporting to "aid digestion" or to stop fermentation, or to control the digestive process in any way, can do more than give temporary relief or comfort to the "dyspepsia" sufferer.

No special diet can cure dyspepsia, and a particular food or foods, nor method of cooking or serving foods, can cure dyspepsia. No matter whence any such promises or pretenses emanate, they are just so much bunk and incidentally, bunk is very good business in this country.

When I assert in this arbitrary fashion that no diet can cure dyspepsia I am not unmindful of, and certainly do not wish to keep anybody ignorant of, the epochal work of McCarrison, a British army doctor whose observations among the Himalayans I have repeatedly cited here.

McCarrison never encountered a case of gastric duodenal ulcer, appendicitis or mucous colitis among these primitive people, although he performed more than 2,600 major operations in the nine years he practiced among them.

He believes, and many scientific physicians agree with him, that the remarkable freedom of these people from abdominal infections is due to the character of their diet, which is mainly "natural foods," such as fresh raw milk, fresh eggs, whole grains, fruits and leafy vegetables.

Such foods supply an adequate quantity of vitamin B and vitamin C, which probably favor the development of immunity against abdominal infections. There is good reason to believe that a diet such as is too often the staple food of American people, short in vitamins, is the more deleterious by reason of the excessive proportion of carbohydrate such a diet usually contains.

So I do qualify the assertion I made about the futility of dieting for dyspepsia, but we'll just let it stand now.

Nearly everybody, sooner or later, is sure to fall into the hands of a surgeon, either for treatment of an accidental injury or for an operation. Surgery is a great profession these days. My advice to the young man or young woman who contemplates studying medicine is don't, unless you are sure you can practice surgery exclusively.

You may attain eminence and fame as a surgeon, but even though you are rather dumb, but you have a mighty slim chance of getting anywhere in the practice of medicine or even in a specialty, today.

Ordinary doctors and specialists are—well the world is overrun with 'em and their stock is declining. Surgeons, too, are frightfully common now, yet people still think a surgeon has to know more than an ordinary doctor or specialist, and surgeons' stock is away up and likely to remain up.

Only a third of the cases of gallbladder "dyspepsia" come to operation. Two-thirds worry along for a while, without it.

One physician, discussing gallbladder "dyspepsia," said: "Gallbladder disease is primarily a surgical disease as far as treatment is concerned. Most cases that I have treated medically have ultimately brought discredit on me."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Fracture of Nose. My son has had his nose broken twice, playing football. He has had it operated on by a specialist and treated some, but without apparent benefit. He blows as though he has a cold and coughs some. What would you suggest?—Mrs. W. W. S.

Answer.—First, that boys should not be allowed to play football until they enter college. Second, that fracture of the nose often heals viciously and the effects are remedied only by correction of the deformity by plastic operation.

Family Wash. Is it unhealthful to do the family washing in a cold, dark basement? I do the rubbing by hand. I seem to get a new cold every week from it, and now I am having pains in all my joints and also in my lungs. It takes me five hours to do the washing and I feel cold all the time.—Mrs. L. E.

Answer.—I assure you that the washing has nothing to do with the new "cold" you say you have every week, and nothing to do with the pains in your joints and lungs. Such a basement is as healthful to work in as an attic or other room would be, with the same heat and light.

Over a Mile High. We live 7,000 feet up on the Divide (Colorado). From what I have read in your column I think the soil here is deficient in iodine. For several months therefore we have been taking a drop of tincture of iodine in a glassful of milk once a week (it tastes less in milk than in water). I certainly feel an increased pep. I noticed one of your correspondents spoke of taking it daily for a month. Is that a better way?—Mrs. W. S.

Answer.—One drop once a week the year round is as good as any way to get a suitable iodine ration. Some persons prefer to take one drop of tincture once a day for a month, in each of the four seasons of the year. The soil in most elevated regions is very poor in iodine. In any event you will do no harm with your weekly drop of tincture of iodine.

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Your Income Tax

No. 4. A taxpayer, though unmarried, who supports in his home one or more relatives over whom he exercises family control, is the head of a family, \$3,500. Also, he may claim \$400 for each person dependent upon him for chief support if such person is under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support because mentally or physically defective. Such dependent need not be a relative of the taxpayer nor a member of his household. The term "mentally or physically defective" includes not only cripples and those mentally defective, but persons in ill health and the aged.

For example, if an unmarried son supports in his home an aged mother, he is entitled to an exemption of \$2,500, plus the \$400 credit for a dependent, a total of \$2,900. If, from choice, the mother lives in another city, the son, although her chief support, would be entitled only to the \$1,500 exemption, plus the \$400 credit. The mother not living with him, she is not considered the head of a family. The \$400 credit does not apply to the wife or husband of a taxpayer, although one may be totally dependent upon the other.

An exemption as the head of the family can be claimed by only one member of a household.

Brisbane's Today

(Continued from Page One.)

Laborite members shouted "Liar."

That fashion was set by Tim Healy and other Irishmen in Gladstone's time.

J. Pierpont Morgan gives New York hospital \$2,000,000. Giving seems to be inherited, as illustrated also in the case of the Rockefeller.

Mr. Morgan's father gave to New York one of its finest institutions, a great lying-in hospital.

Serious rioting in India caused by a report that Mohammedans kidnapped Hindu children and sacrificed them in connection with the construction of a new bridge. The report probably is not true.

Once important works were usually accompanied by human sacrifice.

Quill Points

Age has compensations. You feel no urge to go bare-headed or wear floppy pants.

Women may be equal, but a man doesn't persuade a woman friend to go with him to the barber shop.

If only the intelligent would say or do something to prove its superiority, instead of just registering scorn.

War has its insect pests, and peace has its critics who knock every show in an effort to seem fed-up and superior.

What a world! You wonder how a man so worthless got a wife like that, and why a man so able picked one of that kind.

Women grow up to wealth, but there isn't much more a man wants after he reaches the level of a clean shirt every day.

And yet, Alas! The metropolitan who boasts of the superiority of city men can name only one.

Speaking of war, many of those killed last year by automobiles might have lived through a year of trench warfare.

Wives of great men oft remind us we can strike a pose sublime, but the one who sews our buttons will see through us all the time.

Ameriennism! Sick people taking nothing because they are poor and ignorant; well people taking "health-builders" because they are advertised in the magazines.

Massachusetts' head M. D. says the flu epidemic is just a national panic. Still, as a general thing, mere panic doesn't make you spank the children.

That Syracuse professor is right. When you don't need swear words, all of them are too strong; and when your need is great, none is adequate.

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Rheumatic Pains

Trunk's Prescription is designed to relieve your troubles quickly without hurting. It doesn't irritate the stomach nor depress the heart.

Once nerve-racked sleepless people from torturing pain now testify to relief. E. H. Workman, Fort Fisher, Wash., declares: "I have been taking Trunk's Prescription and the pains and swelling are gone."

Trunk's Prescription is a leading drugstore, like James Mc-Nair's Pharmacy.

When the APPLE CROP is PIE!

Follow your choicest fruit... to the Hotel Californian! You'll enjoy this popular headquarters for orchardists.

HOTEL CALIFORNIAN TAYLOR & FARRELL San Francisco

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The New York Times said today that Alfred E. Smith would not be a candidate for mayor next fall as has been advocated in various quarters.

The paper said it had learned that Mr. Smith informed Mayor Walker of his position shortly before he departed for Florida.

Mr. Smith's statement was made, the paper said, at about the time the first mention of "Smith for mayor" was made in city political circles.

Opposition to the idea of having Mr. Smith become the Democratic candidate in the coming city election is voiced in an editorial signed by Paul Block, publisher, in his papers and appearing in other papers as a paid advertisement.

The editorial declares that Mr. Smith should not become a candidate for any office unless he is again nominated for president.

Oregon Weather. Oregon: Fair and cold tonight and Friday. Moderate east and northeast winds.

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DRUGLESS CULTS REGULATION BILL IN SENATE GRIST

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 7.—(AP) The basic science bill, which was fought so hard by the drugless healers at the 1927 session that it failed to get by the legislature, made its appearance again Wednesday, having been introduced by Senator Jones. It requires practitioners of medicine, surgery, osteopathy, chiropractic and naturopathy to pass an examination in anatomy, physiology, chemistry, pathology and hygiene before they can obtain a license in Oregon.

An average grade of 75 and a grade of not less than 70 in a given subject are required. The examining committee would consist of five members, and, under the requirements of the bill, could be selected from the faculties of the University of Oregon or Oregon State college or any university or college accredited by them, with the state superintendent of schools, ex-officio secretary. Examinations would be given at least twice a year.

SAN FRANCISCO—Frankie Stetson, San Francisco, stepped Ritchie Mack, St. Paul (6).

MUTT AND JEFF—Interesting News About Mr. Szi, the Chinese Minister to Washington

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