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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

There has been a decided decline in public coughing, due to the sunshine and countless cigarettes. There will be no more deep-throated barking, until a famous soprano comes to town.

In all probability there is not in the United States one captain of industry or finance who knows a single thing about playing the triangle, guitar or saxophone.

(Singer and Leather Reporter.) They also keep their hats on and negotiate No. C. Chaplin music.

It is about time that Ping Isaac unleashed his annual prediction: "There will not be a peacock in the valley this year."

A Portland sołon has started running for governor, on his record as a nuisance in the legislature.

At a meeting of the United Carrot Detectors of America, Thursday evening, a paper was read showing that people who eat carrots never have the shingles, and the session voted that they would rather have the shingles.

There was a bitter argument between a 30-year-old man who yesterday sat in his front denouncing the recent formation of the Vatican into a state by the Italian government. It is a healthy sign when the homefolks get after the international problems. There has been some talk among the anti-evolutionists to organize and knock Jim Grimes, South American monkey.

The high noon shrapnel inflicted Tuesday was concocted by Harry Harten, the big lump of coal man, who was astounded by revenge, as he was once taken for a similar ride. The grouch looked like he was en route to an exile in the salt mines of Siberia, with the expectation of being eaten up by wolves before he got there.

The Galashoviks are blossoming out in spring dresses, and don't care what color they are, except that they must be red.

Another banker has vanished with a suitcase crammed with paper money, and the good-looking lady who lived next door.

Dear are strolling down into rural backyards, and if they get in the kitchen and eat up the cabbage when it's cooking, shoot them.

Wheeler Stout sold a \$3 box of chocolates to an old fashioned boy Tuesday.

THREE MILES DROWN IN HORSE CREEK—(Idaho Red Bull News) Fate has some queer quirks.

A fashionably attired young woman in the ladies' parlor of the St. James hotel, struck a match to light a cigarette and was permanently put out by the house detective. (Forty Years Ago Column.) When the world was perfect.

Many males who have been sitting all winter, are now able to come downtown to get out of the cold.

A law has been passed forbidding pioneer girls from sporting more than 17 lights, all of whose candle-power is that of a battleship searchlight.

Several are putting in gardens, as young vineyards are called.

REPARTEE  
(Baltimore Sun)

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## Editorial Correspondence

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 1—The Mexican revolution is over! So says William Clay Silver, editor and publisher of the *Tijuana Herald*. It seems we didn't talk with the editor the other day, but with the Mexican printer's devil, which accounted for our linguistic difficulties.

Mr. Silver talks excellent English, and publishes three newspapers—the *Herald*, the *San Ysidro Enquirer* and the *Chula Vista Progress*. He is the son of a Mexican mother and a Scotch father, the former a Protestant and a 32nd degree Mason. Born in Buffalo, N. Y., he has spent most of his life in Mexico, and with his dark-brown complexion and mass of glistening black hair, would be taken for a native.

We nearly got hooked up with the Printer's Devil again. But his previous state of excitement had apparently passed away, for he promptly told us the editor was out but would return soon. We waited 15 or 20 minutes, when the P. D. went out on a sortie but returned empty-handed. At the end of half an hour, he said the editor would not return, but he would be glad to lead us to him. Walking up the street two doors, we stepped into Mr. Silver's office on a high stool at the end of the bar, conversing with the bartender. He gave us a cheery smile and a hearty handshake. Hearing we were from Medford, Oregon, he seemed particularly delighted.

"Medford, Oregon: sure—that's where Bud Anderson came from." The bartender, an American resident of Tijuana for seven years, also remembered Bud, and saw him go down to defeat before that New York dentist, Leach Cross.

This is the second time Bud has helped us out. The first newspaperman we called on in San Diego immediately recalled that we came from Bud Anderson's town. The pride of Medford certainly made an impression upon the sporting fraternity in southern California.

Of course we asked Mr. Silver what he thought of the revolution. "Oh, it's all over," he promptly replied. "It's just another one of those things. Suppose you expect to see fighting around here? Well, I have been through ten revolutions, as editor of the Herald, and have never seen a gun fired yet. What is it all about? I don't know. Religion, war—no—why fight about religion? I was once a Catholic altar boy; now I am a Mason, my father a Protestant. You should have known my father—a great man—mother a Catholic, some Protestant—but we'll all get on nice—same with Mexico."

"Course there's some religious trouble, but nothing to fight about. No, this fuss is just a few generals who didn't get their graft, and thought perhaps they could clean up a little. Sort of blackmail. But instead of getting money, guess they will get bullets in the head. This revolution won't get any farther than would Oregon if it tried to overthrow President Hoover. There is no principle. If it was principle—right against wrong—it might fight, too. But no principle."

Otto, Senior Silver! What you say may or may not be true. But at your request we are glad to preface it. We hold no brief for Tijuana. But there are two sides to most questions; there are no doubt, two to this one. Adios!

R. W. T.

RUFFING IN CAMP TO LOSE EXTRA POUNDAGE

FIGMS OF SNOW SLED TO BE SHOWN SOON

BRALENTON, Fla., March 8.—(P)—Charley Ruffing, 24-year-old pitcher, who showed a great deal of promise two years ago only to lose 25 games while winning 10, this year, has ambled into the Red Sox camp here carrying 220 pounds and a determination to do better.

He explained that what he needed most was better control, but Manager Bill Carrigan evidently decided that his extra poundage demanded attention first so he had him working hard picking up beans under a broiling sun.

RUSSIAN EXILES LABOR IN PARIS MOTOR WORKS

PARIS (P)—Among the thousands of Russian exiles in Paris, there are some who do not claim to possess titles, and who neither drive taxicabs nor wear Cossack uniforms in night clubs.

The tourist is not likely to see them for they work in automobile factories for two dollars a day, or keep books in a bank for less. They have no diamonds to sell, and the boulevards seldom know them.

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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.

### GATHERING UP THE LOOSE ENDS

This is the third chapter in a desperate and daring attempt to explain to well people that there is really something the matter with nervous wrecks, though it is never weak nerves or anything like that. I am desperate about this because I have been trying to teach something of the kind for 20 years and so far as I know I have made no impression on anybody except a number of nervous wrecks. And the attempt is daring, I think, because so many unconvinced individuals in the most eminent strata of society get away with it on the plea of nervous breakdown, neurosis, nervous exhaustion, impotence, etc.

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My mother tells me that the dishwater you wash the dishes in is good for scratches, etc.—D. B.

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SHAVING UNDER ARMS.  
Is it in any way harmful to shave the hair off the underarms?—Miss H. R.

Answer—No.

PRETZELS.  
How many pretzels make 100 calories?

I am dieting and I have to have everything on 100 calories. How much should a girl 21, five feet tall, weigh?—S. E. A.

Answer—Pretzels vary as much as girls do. Perhaps three of the average pretzels yield 100 calories. A regular girl of your age and height should weigh 118 to 125 pounds. Don't let 'em skin you down below 118, unless you want to look like a pretzel united.

GOLFER.  
I have an ungrown golfer and would like to know how many drops of iodine...

Answer—One with either of any kind should never risk using iodine in any way, unless under medical advice.

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### Accidents

It is estimated that 95 per cent of the small loans are made by college men who once sang Sweet Adeline after 11 p. m.

AMERICANISM: SCORING PANHANDLERS.  
Thinking a college president a wonder because he is good at it.

It seems strange that the newsboys haven't given us Mr. Coolidge in a slow-motion talkie.

MR. HOOVER'S BIGGEST TASK DOESN'T CONSIST IN PROVIDING FOR HIS SUPPORTERS, BUT IN GETTING RID OF THEM.

BILLS NOW PENDING IN STATE LEGISLATURES WOULD END EVERY PUNICIOUS ACTIVITY OF MAN EXCEPT LAW-MAKING.

IT SEEMS LIKE OLD HOME WEEK IN HELL WHEN GANG KILLERS BUNCH UP THEIR HITS.

IT MAY COMFORT GERMAN TAXPAYERS 50 YEARS FROM NOW TO REMEMBER THAT THE EXPERTS DIDN'T TAKE THE LAST DAY OF FOUR WEEKS FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THE BILL, WHICH IS 100 DAYS OR FOUR MONTHS OR FOUR WEEKS BEGINNING THE DAY PRESCRIBED FOR PUBLICATION HEREOF, AND IF YOU FAIL TO GO TO APPEAR AND ANSWER SAID COMPLAINT, FOR WANT THEREOF, THE PLAINTIFF WILL APPLY TO THE COURT TO HAVE THE DEFENDANT DEMONSTRATE ITS COMPLAINT TO HIM. THIS DECREE BE ENTERED ATTACHING ANY AND ALL RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LENDER OR CLAIM WHICH YOU OR ANY OF YOU HAVE OR CLAIM TO HAVE IN, TO OR UPON THE REAL PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE CITY OF MEDFORD, JACKSON COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF MAIN STREET IN THE CITY OF MEDFORD, OREGON, WITH THE WEST LINE OF LINDLEY STREET IN SAID CITY, WHICH POINT BEARS EAST 117 1/2 FEET AND NORTH 56 1/2 FEET FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF D. L. C. NO. 42 IN TOWNSHIP 37, SOUTH RANGE 1 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, AND RUNNING THENCE WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LINDLEY STREET 250 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 155 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LINDLEY STREET; THENCE WEST 100 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

ALSO COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH LINE OF REDDIE

AMONG THE HAZARDOUS OCCUPATIONS IS THAT OF SMOKING IN BED IN ONTING PAJAMAS.

IT MUST SEEM LIKE OLD HOME WEEK IN HELL WHEN GANG KILLERS BUNCH UP THEIR HITS.

LET THE COLONEL ENJOY THE AIR WHILE HE CAN. "WE" WON'T MEAN IT AFTER THE CEREMONY.

THE NIGHT OF A SAD, SWEET SLEEPER CAUSES EVERY NORMAL MARRIED MAN TO WISH SHE HAD A FINE HUSBAND LIKE HIM.

CORRECT THIS SENTENCE: "THE WORLD SEEKS ALL RIGHT" SAY THE VALUED-OF THE SWING CRIES, "AND I HAVE NO AMBITION TO CHANGE IT."

YOUR INCOME TAX

No. 29.

Charitable contributions and gifts are deductible within limitations provided by the revenue act of 1928. In order that a deduction may be made, contributions to a corporation, trust, community chest, fund, or foundation must meet several tests. Such organizations must be operated exclusively for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes or for the prevention of cruelty to children and animals. No part of this income must inure to the benefit of private stockholders or individuals.

Contributions made to a missionary fund, to such building funds, and for the benefit of other activities of the church are deductible. Rent, rents, assessments, and dues paid to churches are regarded as contributions. Gifts to any corporation or association organized or devoted to the advancement of learning are exempt.

Gifts to an individual are not

deductible, but it made to a charitable organization, as defined by the revenue act, may be deducted even though the organization distributes the funds among the individual beneficiaries.

American Declaration of Independence.

PERSIAN WOMEN DEMAND A LITTLE MORE FREEDOM

TEHERAN, Persia (UPI)—In the modernization of Persia, along lines adopted by Kemal Pasha in Turkey and accepted by the deposed King Amanullah, in Afghanistan, Persian women make three principal demands.

The first, and the most revolutionary of all, is the right to make the acquaintance of a future husband before marriage.

Persian women also demand the right to work outside their own homes, and that the law relating to divorce give women equal rights with men.