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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

Many tourists are passing thru our fair city, and all look like they knew where the next gallon of gasoline is coming from.

R. A. Gilmore was rushing the planting of glads. Sunday he had six men in the afternoon helping him but didn't get them all in.—(Grants Pass Courier.) The poor slave driver.

There is a steady increase in the number of red dresses, all screaming violently.

Condemnation has been poured upon our noggin, for comment upon the fear that congressmen felt when Senator Reed playfully felt when senator Reed playfully a list of prominent hypocrites who have no co-ordination between their voting and their guzzling. The worrying ceased and the drinking resumed, when Sen. Reed declared he would not be so cruel. There should be no cause for local alarm, as no Oregon seedsender would get drunk and make a rousing dry speech.

A Portland man riding on a street car was robbed of $190. He is the only resident of the metropolis with $190, that does not possess some kind of an automobile.

Automobiles continue to course over the chief skating rinks hereabouts.

A warm rain fell this morning, and was just what the fauna and the flora and the weeds needed.

New pens have started associating with carrots in the tooth and jaw gymnasiums.

Len Carpenter has vanished. Deponent doth not know whether he is plowing or has ramoosed for Europe.

A female member of the aristocracy flounced out of a room in high dudgeon, when the uncouth and boorish undersigned offered her a piece of gum. She was the maddest gal.

JUST BUNGED UP
(Legal Journal)

Head, neck, back, spine, shoulders, arms, hips, legs all my internal organs and entire body and all the muscles, nerves, vessels, ligaments and bones thereof were bruised, contused and lacerated; that my eyes were injured; that I have suffered neuralgia and heart pains from said injury and that my left shoulder and arm was sprained, fractured and broken; that by reason of all of my said injuries I have been rendered permanently sick sore, weak, dizzy, lame, nervous and sad; that I have suffered physical pain and mental anguish therefrom; that I have lost and will in the future continue to lose my natural sleep and rest; that I have lost weight and color therefrom.

There is also a deficiency in the precipitation of spring poems to date.

"The auto was driven by Mrs. Tatt, and struck Johnson in the intersection. He suffered no injuries, but had a new hat knocked into the mud" (Echo, Ore., News.) The next time he'll tip it.

There has been considerable spading in backyards the past week by the fair sex, and it seems to be the consensus of opinion, the sex as a whole, can't spade any better than they run.

A trio of diplomats lined up against the Hill Clore bank yesterday, and whetted their jackknives on the window sill. They discussed evolution, and how to kill ants.

"The county chairman praised the official for his efficiency, but the editor of this paper can not function that way. An official who cannot tell where $2700 of county money went, is not efficient—at least not hell-rearingly so, the county chairman to the contrary notwithstanding. $2700 is $2700" —(Grant County Press.) An irate editor turns on the faucet of his logic.

Shoots Way Out.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 9.—(AP)—Elvarez Miquel, 28-year-old slayer, shot his way to freedom from the Schuylkill county jail today. A guard, Roy Reeves, received a bullet wound in the leg. Miquel, a Cuban, was under sentence of death for killing Louis Jacks, his one-time sweetheart, February, 1928.

QUILL POINTS

If you would know a man's history, just ask his opinion of friends.

A free land is one that won't stand for any dictator except one interested in its soul.

Some men remain in the public eye all their lives, and some accept the Democratic nomination.

Among the sins of the fathers visited on the children to the fourth generation are paving bonds.

You can say one thing for Fall. He made his department important for the first time.

Nature balances things. If a husband feels sorry for himself, the neighbors feel sorry for his wife.

"You're a pharmacist," said Sherlock Holmes. "I see spots of mayonnaise on your vest."

If it accomplishes nothing else, the work of our great cities reminds us of our own sophomore days.

When a modern youth says he wants to begin work at the bottom, he probably has in mind the signing of letters and checks.

Americanism: Keeping ourselves as poor as the rich once were by trying to live as the rich do now.

Trotzky is a unique chacarter—unless you count the Wandering Jew.

One reason why girls leave home is because there isn't anything to eat this side of the drug store.

The only word meaning both "nasty" and "dull," one gathers from publishers' blurbs, is "frank."

The careful driver has one consolation. He always gets bumped in the rear, where there's no windshield.

One thing Dad gives up during Lent is all thought of getting Christmas bills paid until after Easter.

So they want a name for the new Einstein theory that nobody understands? What about "she?"

There are no swear words in the Welch language, the authorities believing the climate sufficient.

Correct this sentence: "Yes, I knew you were taking the wrong turn," said the lady in the back seat, "but I hated to say anything."

Reames Mixes Marriage Wisdom With Contemplation of Fish Sportsmanship Needed Is View

Companionate marriage and fish don't mix. Charlie Reames, who was forced to put his law books on the shelf and undergo an operation for appendicitis a few weeks ago, had an interview extracted from him at the Sacred Heart hospital this morning, on the subject of Companionate Marriage. He was presented a complimentary ticket to see the picture by that title, which opens at [illegible] Monday and extends thru Wednesday night.

But it was rather annoying, being interviewed about anything so frivolous as "Companionate Marriage," especially when he was engrossed in the more serious contemplation of a number of baby trout swimming about in a big glass bowl, prescnted to him, together with a miniature hook and line by his friend, John Wilkinson a few minutes before.

"The adoption of companionate marriage, as a solution of the present day divorce evil is—look at that fellow—that's a silverside—great stuff." The local fisherman was leaning half way out of his bed, watching the antics of the infant members of the craniate vertebrate family. His special nurse was tolerant but a trifle uneasy.

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Reames—do you mean that companionate marriage is 'great stuff'?" his interviewer asked, bewildered.

"Companionate marriage? Oh, no—fish," he answered lapsing into temporary silence as he demonstrated a trick way of looping the line onto the hook.

"The divorce courts will show that by far the largest percent of divorces granted, are to young married couples, within the first eight years of married life. Naturally, young people have their differences, and it takes considerable time to learn the ways and habits of the trout in these streams directly around Medford, unless you've been a consistent fisherman."

"What?" almost shouted the misled interviewer.

"What I meant was, it takes considerable time to learn the ways and habits of one's companion thru life. But once that is accomplished, couples who have been good sportsmen enough to overlook these minor differences thru the first few years, are often the most happily married in the long run. Because they've learned to understand, and have developed not only a fine appreciation of each other, but a keener sense of the values and balances of life," he said.

"The idea of thrift, now wisely practiced by married couples, who have the future welfare of their families at heart, would be entirely destroyed under a system tolerating companionate marriage. It would open the way for designing persons to hook the poor fish with the biggest bank roll, when they had no more serious intentions than to live high until a bigger fish came up stream. That is against the ethics of any good sportsman." And gripping the miniature line in both hands the local attorney fell asleep with his face turned toward the bowl of baby trout.

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.

HAVE YOU A BAD COLD ON YOUR CONSCIENCE?

I am with you in the matter of colds, writes a reader. "All my own experience and observation, the correspondent goes on, confirm your position that cold or exposure does not and cannot cause them. But in criticism of your argument I hear people ask, 'Why then do we have more colds and pneumonia in the winter than in the summer?' It would seem to me that you have not met this argument quite clearly and definitely enough to satisfy the diehards. Why do we have more colds in cold weather? I think that a blast from this direction might be refreshing. Yours for fewer and smaller colds. (We'll omit correspondent's name).

Unless people define what they mean by "colds" who can tell what they're talking about? If you are ready to come along with me at all I hope you'll come all the way and not just trail along in an aimless and uncertain fashion as tho you would desert the instant any old fogy raised a cry of draft or wet feet ahead. If you are going to continue to think and talk "colds" you can't go along with our show. We don't understand such language, and neither do you. Nobody understands it, really. Have you ever known a health authority or a physician of any standing who would venture to define a "cold," or "the common cold," when he pretends to discuss the subject? Certainly not. No such individual dares to commit himself on that point. Just as soon as any health authority or physician of standing musters the temerity to define a "cold" or "the common cold," he is going to regret his rashness, I promise you. These gentlemen who so firmly insist that exposure to cold, chilling, wet and the like does cause some kind of illness, simply dare not define that illness. Their conscience is easy enough, but somehow they are afraid to commit themselves.

Why, if any doctor should take such teaching seriously and record in a report of disease that the patient had a "cold" or in a death certificate that the deceased had "taken cold," these very health authorities who solemnly assure the public there is such an illness would promptly institute an inquiry to discover what the doctor was trying to conceal.

People who ask that childlike question the correspondent quotes would not think of such a question in reference to measles, diphtheria, pulmonary tuberculosis or scarlet fever—today. Yet there is no less reason to associate these respiratory infections with cold, wet, or other kinds of weather or reason or climate than there is for assuming that pneumonia is a cold weather disease.

A colony of Eskimos, brought to the Pan-American Exposition in the springtime and housed in shacks on the Midway, suffered frightfully from pneumonia, a disease that frightened them the more because they had never seen it in their own country. Laborers on the Panama canal, as well as those in the Rand, South Africa, suffered decimation from pneumonia until Dr. Gorgas proved that crowding in close quarters was the cause of the disease in both places. In these three conspicuous instances, you cannot fail to note, the pneumonia was associated with warmth and not with cold.

Anyone who goes about purporting to have a "cold" which is not communicable in ordinary conversational spray is simply a menace to society. If YOU commit this conventional kind of crime, it is a thing to have on your conscience.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Bowlegs in Childhood.

My little girl began having a slight outward bowing of the legs when she began to walk, at 12 months. There seems to be no bowing above the knees. Now at 22 months they are curved quite badly. The doctor prescribed cod liver oil and daily "springing" at the point of greatest curvature just above the ankles. He says a little later he will fit special shoes to favor straightening of the legs. Is this treatment likely to do any good?—Mrs. A. R. E.

Answer—Yes. The child was probably raised on some food that fattened (with much sugar or starch) but failed to supply vitamine and real strength building material. Cod liver oil (the pure article) is an excellent remedy. Generally the bowing gradually disappears as the child develops better strength.

Eczema Not Contagious.

Please tell me whether it is dangerous for my little girl to play with a child who has eczema of the nose.—M. C. B.

Answer—No.

Excessive Perspiration.

Can you give a recipe which would be harmless to use to prevent perspiration of disagreeable odor in the armpits?—L. M.

Answer—Make a solution of half an ounce of aluminum chloride in two ounces of rain water or distilled water. Sponge the washed and dried armpits with this once each alternate day for four or five times, allowing it to dry on.

Stage Fright.

Please publish your formula for preventing worry.—O. G. F.

I have to speak before 350 students next Friday and I will be grateful if you will tell me what your remedy is for preventing stake fright?—C. R. S.

Answer—I believe one can face such an ordeal more calmly with the aid of a wee bit of quinine. Take one grain of quinine sulphate, bisulphate or hydrochloride, in pill, tablet, or capsule, before or after food, three times daily for a week before the catastrophe.

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Abe Martin

It's all right fer a girl to be intelligent if she's figurin' on a business career, but if she's goin' to marry instead o' settlin' down it won't help her any. Who recalls when theater shows used to advertise an' guarantee an' make a great ado over not offendin' th' most fastidious?

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Your Income Tax

No. 30.

The tax on dividends is an important item in the returns of many taxpayers. As defined by the revenue act of 1928, the term "dividend" means any distribution made by a corporation to its shareholders, whether in money or other property, out of its earnings or profits accumulated after February 28, 1913. If a dividend represents profits earned by a corporation prior to March 1, 1913, there is no tax.

A dividend may be payable out of current profits or accumulated surplus, but it has no legal existence until it is "declared" by a formal resolution of the directors of the corporation. The ordinary form of dividend is a periodical cash distribution of current profits. However, dividends may be paid in securities or other property. For example, a corporation may distribute among its stockholders securities in which it has invested its earnings. Such securities are to be reported as dividends by the stockholders at the fair market value on the date the dividends become payable.

The rate of tax on the income of corporations was reduced by the revenue act of 1928 from 13½ to 12 per cent. The same rate applies to theincome of insurance companies, the reduction with respect t othis class of taxpayers being from 12½ to 12 per cent.

Quill Points

All a free man asks is equality with the right people.

If money means success, let us grave on the tombstone: He left $283,640.12.

Women love more than men. Imagine a man pledging himself to say "Gimme" for life.

So live that you never feel an urge to denounce the intolerance of a narrow-minded world.

An "old maid" is one who resents it. A "bachelor girl" is one who has sense enough to know when she's well off.

The danger in being dignified is that so few people can tell the difference between that and sulking.

Hell won't be so bad. Construction work was done long ago, and there won't be any electric riveting.

Government has a "conscience fund." So, for that matter, has the average church—but nothing is said about it.

Nothing much happens when people spend more than they make. The grocer just makes up the loss by charging cash customers a little more.

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

What's the use? If you have sense enough to earn two or three cars, you have sense enough to walk for exercise.

Still, a man sucker enough to marry a gold-digger would be trimmed by somebody else if he didn't pay alimony.

The bride, scene 1: "Thank my stars; I'll never have to work any more." Scene 2: "I wish I had some spending money of my own."

Having to take an upper because the big hotels have taken all the lowers is enough to make anybody an enemy of berth control.

How to become an intellectual? Well, you call one of them a great thinker, and then he calls you a great thinker, and there you are.

Unusual types, below and above the normal, matter little. There are higher-ups and the low-down, but the average man is on the level.

The ideal servant is one with brains enough to do everything better than you can and foolish enough to work for less than you would.

It would be interesting to know at just what stage Methuselah got a new lease on life by having his tonsils and appendix removed.

Correct this sentence: "I despise our new preacher," said Brown, "but I'm too big to let that affect my contributions to the church."

Brisbane's Today

(Continued from Page One.)

ers would be frozen solid, and all the 1,600,000,000 human beings on earth would instantly become so many frozen statues.

We should be grateful for the air, protecting us from outer cold, from meteors, and grateful for all the other marvelous arrangements for our comfort that we owe to a kind providence, especially for our marvelous vasometer, heat regulating system.

Th French government will not permit Trotzky to enter France. But Trotzky should not complain. "Turn about is fair play."

When he was in command of the Russian army Trotzky kept the French, British and others from entering Russia.

Perhaps he wonders now why he took the trouble to do it.

Street car unions in New York know that it is impossible to make a strike successful with the subways operating. Interference under ground is difficult, and escape from the subway, after interference, is actually impossible.

Revolutionists in Mexico discover that to make a revolution successful against flying machines is difficult. To strike your deadly blow and retire to the mountains is not convenient, when flying machines overtake you on the way, or get there ahead and wait for you with bombs, machine gunfire and poison gas.

ASHLAND CHOOSES CLAYCOMB CHIEF COMMERCE BODY

ASHLAND, Ore., Mar. 9.—(Special.) H. L. Claycomb, manager of the Ford Agency in Ashland, was elected on Thursday night to head the Ashland chamber of commerce for the year beginning March 1st. W. P. Walter, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was selected for vice president and F. F. Whittle, treasurer.

The work of the chamber is divided into six divisions and Mr. Claycomb and the retiring president, George Dunn, selected directors to head five of the various divisions and the list was approved by the directorate.

The commercial division will be headed by Sam B. McNair; the industrial and agricultural interests will be in the hands of Senator George W. Dunn; R. L. Burdic will have charge of publicity and conventions; while W. P. Walter will head finance and membership.

The civic-municipal group will be organized later. This particular group will be made up of representatives from the different civic and service organizations, who will meet and choose their own head and also a vice-chairman. Several organizations have already chosen their representatives. They are Lew Hansen and Dr. C. A. Haines of the Rotary club, G. W. Dunn and J. H. Fuller of Kiwanis, C. A. Malone and H. G. Enders of the Lithians. The American Legion post and the Woman's Civic club have also been asked to send representatives. It is planned to have this central committee form a clearing house for all matters that bear on civic and municipal interests.

Chapter A. C. of the P. E. O. sisterhood held a most delightful social event on Thursday evening when the members were hostesses to their husbands at the Lithia Springs hotel at seven o'clock dinner. The elaborate meal was served at beautifully arranged tables in the small dining room. The table was decorated with a large central mass of variously colored snapdragons and with the most attractive hand-done placecards.

At the close of the meal the members and their guests enjoyed an evening of fun in the ball room. B. I. L.'s Will Dodge, Hal McNair and F. F. Whittle were inducted into the sacred rites of the B. I. L. brotherhood. The initiatory team consisted of Mesdames J. W. McCoy, W. E. Blake, F. S. Engle, S. B. McNair, H. C. Galey and Miss Clara Trotter.

Mrs. K. P. Hammond and Miss Florence Allen sang two interesting vocal numbers and J. W. McCoy and his daughter, Miss Margaret McCoy contributed a well executed "talkey dance."

Mr. and Mrs. George Andrews and family have moved from Sixth street to the Balfour-Guthrie ranch just east of town. The ranch was formerly run by Robert Gordon.

Senator and Mrs. George Dunn returned home on Thursday from Salem where Mr. Dunn was in attendance at the state legislature. They also made a trip to Portland to visit Mr. Dunn's mother, Mrs. Mary Dunn.

Twenty-five Ashland boys were off Friday afternoon to Grants Pass to attend the older boys' conference which will be in session there over the week end. The boys were taken to Grants Pass in cars furnished by Ashland business men. Those who made the trip for the benefit of the boys were John Rigg, Revi H. T. Mitchelmore, G. H. Yee, W. M. Peley and W. M. Wright. Three Normal teachers, R. W. McNeal, Walter Redford and V. V. Caldwell will serve as instructors at the conference.

Dr. and Mrs. George J. King of Long Beach, Calif., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Louise Emma, to J. Frederick McClosky of Los Angeles. The King family lived for a time in Ashland and Miss Louise attended the local high school and has a large group of friends who will be interested in her engagement.

The Rotary club at its meeting on Thursday enjoyed a very interesting talk by Senator George Dunn, who reviewed his recent work at the last meeting of the state legislature.

The Rotarian president, A. W. Moon, was selected as delegate to the national Rotary convention which will be held at Dallas, Tex. Rev. C. D. Gaffney was named as alternate.

Miss Margaret Arnold entertained the club by singing two Shakespearean songs.

An indoor circus that will last for three or four days and that will be made up of all sorts of new and unusual features, will be sponsored by the Ashland post of the American Legion during the first week of April. The decision was made at a special meeting of the post which was held this week. The circus will be held in the Armory which will give ample room for all the concessions.

The original plan was to hold the circus at a somewhat earlier date, but there were various conflicting events which made the later date necessary. Hubert Bently is to have general charge of the celebration and will be assisted by a number of efficient committees. Arrangements are already being made with entertainment groups and the public is assured of an interesting and clean entertainment.

J. M. Hocking of B street is home from Forest Grove where he was called by the death of his mother.

H. Humphreys of southern California is in Ashland for a few days to visit with friends and to attend to business interests.

Dr. A. E. Woods was in Grants Pass on Thursday, called to give expert testimony in a damage suit brought by a woman against an insurance company for $25,000. The plaintiff claims that she was injured in a wreck last November and that owing to the injuries she is now unable to use her right hand. The suit was called to determine the extent of the injuries. Doctors Moser and Smith of Grants Pass and Dr. Clancy of Medford were also called as witnesses.

DEUTSCHLAND BRINGS MANY SWEET SINGERS

HAMBURG, Germany, March 9.—(AP)—Tweet-tweet, is coming from 28,000 throats on the steamship Deutschland.

There are 28,050 canaries on board.

They left Hamburg yesterday with 14 attendants, bound for New York.

NEW YORK, March 8.—(AP)—Norwegian-Americans have sen a painting "Herring Cove at Dawn," as a wedding gift for Prince Olaf of Norway and Princess Martha of Sweden. It is a prize winner by Jonas Lie, Norwegian-born artist, who in summer paints fjords near Oslo.

Charles N. Hansen, et ux, Hjalmer Ramstrom, et ux, W. D. to land in Cottage Add. to Medford, $10.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the School Board of District No. 49, Medford, Oregon, will receive sealed bids for 155 cords, old growth sound body fir wood, 8 ft. long; 20 cords old growth sound body fir wood, 3½ ft. long. Wood to be delivered before August 15, 1929, and picked up on the school grounds of the four elementary schools, in accordance with directions from the Superintendent's office. Bids must be in the hands of the district clerk, Medford Building, on or before 7:00 p. m., March 11, 1929.

REBECCA MELLORS,
Clerk School District No. 49.

THOXINE
NIGHT COUGHS
Positively stopped almost instantly with one swallow of

MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Could Add a Postcript to Joe Miller's Book

By BUD FISHER