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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry. "It takes from one to ten years to make a drunkard. BUT A DRUG ADDICT MAY BE MADE IN FROM ONE TO TEN DAYS."

Inasmuch as politicians with an eye on the woman vote are too busy endorsing the war on cigarettes, and making dry speeches, while under the influence of liquor...

Galshewski are wearing smocks. They are as gray colored as a new awning, or male lingerie which is seen only in the store windows.

The blacksmiths, Civil War veterans and starving Armenians comprising the Portland ball team, are not making any headway against Fate and the visiting team.

For Sale—1 pocket cigar lighter, good as it ever was; always works; reason for selling, have to carry matches anyway to poke out pipe with.—(King City News.) "As it ever was" is right.

Wild flowers are blooming in profusion, and Nature forgot to produce any with yellow blossoms, as anyone with eyes may note.

The fishing season has been opened a week, and no hero dragging a salmon by the gills, down the Main Stem.

There was an influx of tillers and tillers from the rural areas today.

OUNDS PLEASIBLE (Upland, Cal. Times) While talk was a contest among grammar-school boys, parents had a hand in it also.

Baby bugles, containing a cash payment coupon to the down payment on a Ford, are being propelled about town.

The American Medical Journal reports a "decline in coffee drinking." It is blamed on a low-grade of coffee, instead of the good.

Denizens of the metropolis have resumed taking a drink with a stranger. They regain consciousness, but the police have no clues to their pocketbooks. It looks like a 3-pen game would do well in the Rose City.

Search has started for last year's fly-swatters and straw hats.

Tomorrow is Sunday. Antelope planning to go 40 ways for Sunday, are warned not to make it 41.

Preachers report an increase in couples with \$5, and no fear of economic conditions, or a shiverer.

FARMERS POISON ROADENTS (Klamath Falls News.) They will gopher.

ROMANCE IN IOWA (Lincolnville, Ia., News) Husband of Lincolnville today hailed the departure of a highway construction gang with sighs of relief.

YOU CAN'T PAINT A HOUSE WITH APPLESAUCE (Ad in Lit. Dig.) And, it's nothing to put in the gasoline tank.

WHY LADY GARDENERS CURS Near the tulip lifted heads. Near the golden jonquil beds. Where the weary gardener treads, I found a sprout.

The growth of that wee, simple flower I watched each day, from hour to hour, I saw its stem begin to tower, And then, it bloomed!

So quaint a plant I've seldom seen; Its leaves and trunk were shiny green, The petals had a waxy sheen, A graceful epig.

But come at last a mournful day, When doubt and hope were swept away— My pet was but a Jimson gay, That saucy weed!

(Kansas City Star.) Classified advertising gets results.

THE "CHAIN" NEWSPAPER

NOT satisfied with their propaganda efforts through press bureaus and school officials, the power monopolies, in their effort to control public opinion while exploiting the public resources of the nation and the states, have turned to buying newspapers.

The latest effort in this line is the purchase of control of the Boston Publishing Co., owners of the Boston Herald and the Boston Traveler, two of the largest papers in New England, by the International Paper Company, a subsidiary of the International Paper and Power Company, which owns the New England Power Company and other utility organizations of the kind doing business in the United States and Canada.

Not long since, a power magnate purchased some of the most influential newspapers in Illinois and a dozen or more in Southern California, uniting them in a chain. Another chain in California and Oregon is being financed by a power company banker and financier. In Maine the two largest papers are claimed by the independent Portland News to be controlled by the power interests, and to have forced a boycott by allied interests upon the News.

It is currently reported that the utility interests are financing many of the purchases and mergers of newspapers by newly-organized chains, either through subsidiary paper companies or allied financial interests. Although excessive prices are being paid for newspaper properties thus absorbed, the securities are easily marketed through affiliated banks, thus, as with the utility mergers, the public puts up the money and the power interests retain control without investment.

The situation is a serious one. The consolidation of former newspaper rivals into hyphenated sheets in many cities, which deprive minor parties of a voice is bad enough; the formation of chains, voicing a common policy in regimenting the people, is worse; but the fusing of independent newspapers, paper and power companies into gigantic combinations for the purpose of influencing popular opinion, legislature and government in the interest of monopoly of natural resources is the most sinister of all. Yet that is what is happening.—Salem Capital Journal.

Yet 90 per cent of those who bought violet ray lamps last winter will soon be hunting a shady place.

Perhaps the most certain sign of spring is the town man's idea that farming is the ideal life.

The best wise-crack we have seen regarding the present financial situation has been credited to Secretary Mellon. Asked when the bull market in stocks would be broken, he replied, "When gentlemen prefer BONDS."

"Overproduction encourages people to make little use of what they have." This is especially true of laws.

You may paint, you may powder, a face if you will, but the back of the neck will reveal the age still.

Every town has a few old timers who were prominent citizens before they decided to outguess Wall Street.

For a revolution that was over before it was started, the Mexican francs shows evidence of extraordinary endurance.

So a uniform divorce law would solve the problem? Well, we have a uniform liquor law.

Blessed are the poor. They go to jail instead of waiting until some lawyer strips them.

A conservative is one who never found himself in a strange town, broke and in need of a shave.

Fourteen laboratory tests indicate, among other things, that the patient has money.

A million years of development resulting at last in a woman who gets a thrill from a string of beads.

Still, when you're caught headed the wrong way on a one-way street, you can always pretend you are learning to back.

A horn leader, apparently, is one who can persuade others to do the work while he takes the glory.

Home is a place where you make your own peanut butter sandwiches.

Americanism: Hunting for queer-looking antiques; trading in a good car because it looks out of date.

It is said that hundreds of boys are making their way through college by writing, but of course this doesn't include the ones who begin "Dear Dad."

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 by queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, in care of this newspaper.

HOW TO HANDLE A DOCTOR

In the first place, catch your doctor, and be sure he is a real doctor. Probably there are two suspicious characters holding forth under this title for every bona fide M. D. in practice so you had better be careful about that.



Tell the doctor what your present complaint is. No, don't offer him a ready-made diagnosis, and don't try to impress him with your command of medical terms. Use your own words to describe your trouble, no matter how homely or unfamiliar you may think your words will seem to the doctor. Call a spade a spade in the secrecy of the consulting room; it may prevent mistakes.

Never begin by saying, "Doctor, I am in a run down condition," or "My nerves are all shot," or "I'd like a good tonic" for you when he hasn't the foggiest notion just what if anything, does all you.

Every interview should commence with a simple statement by the patient of his present complaint. Having told the doctor that, the patient properly pauses to draw breath, and then the doctor may intelligently put any questions he thinks pertinent.

Some patients approach the physician with a notion that they are not going to let him nuzzle them. It is such simple minded bromids that delight in burdening themselves to a bit of smart repartee, thus: The lackwit enters the consulting room, accepts a chair and sits there grinning vacantly instead of stating his complaint. Finally the doctor tries to draw the visitor out. "What seems to be the trouble today?" and then comes the snappy rejoinder: "That's just what I want you to tell me, doctor." Such patients should be taxed a premium for wasting the doctor's time.

If you are not certain you understand any word or term the doctor uses in the course of the interview, no matter how simple it may seem, do not hesitate to interrupt him and ask him to explain what it means; he will have much more respect for your intelligence than he would if you attempted to bluff about such a thing. No one realizes more than the good doctor himself how difficult it is for him to express his thoughts in language without technical obfuscation. As a matter of fact, the greater the doctor's erudition the less he resorts to that quaint trick in his conversation with patients.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS Another Queer Bachelor

Is a man who has taken the university degree Bachelor of Medicine entitled to the designation M. D.? He so signs his name and is in practice, and the public calls him doctor.—(Mrs. M. J.)

Answer—Not unless he has received his doctorate degree. If you care to name the man and give the address I may be able to advise you whether he is a qualified physician or a faker.

Chapped, Red Hands

My husband and I have found your lotion for chapping and redness very satisfactory. It relieves the trouble yet does not leave one's hands sticky as do most such lotions.—(Mrs. L. G.)

Answer—The lotion is an old standard, and many who have used it for years agree with Mrs. G. Here is the recipe—anybody may prepare the lotion for himself: Boil, stirring constantly, a pint of rain water or distilled water and 30 grains (perhaps a tablespoonful) of trisaccharid shavings or chips (not powder). Add three teaspoonfuls of glycerin and one half ounce of boric acid. When you get a clear thin fluid, bottle it. A few drops on the hands before they are quite dry, after washing, and after shaving, every day, or two or three times a day. If the fluid becomes too thick, thin it down to the right consistency with water.

Low Diet Is it possible to shrink one's stomach by taking nothing else but liquids for a few days?—(Miss D. P.)

Answer—No. That would be more likely to expand the stomach. Children and Dogs

We expect to have new bimbo pretty soon. I have had a Boston bull for three years. Ben Told assures us dog and bimbo incompatible. Wife worried. Our doorway is fenced and dog never runs the streets. Must we give up dog if we decide to keep bimbo?—(E. A. V.)

Answer—No. Keep 'em both. The terrier will be as nice as pie to the bimbo, if he lives up to his breed.

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Abe Martin

As further proof that wealth isn't everything observe that the rich man's blue serge collects just as much lint as yours.

Why not concentrate all effort in one grand society to Meddle With Other People's Affairs?

Well, what if a flapper can't win a fine husband? Does a colt enjoy being hitched with a good work horse?

Americanism: Parents who make sacrifices to educate youngsters who are ashamed of them.

Now let's have one more great national marathon to discover who can longest endure the agony of attending to his own business.

Rival Mexican armies lack poison gas and other modern refinements, but even the great war developed few better victory claimers.

It's still a hick town if it feels chesty about getting a lodge convention.

Flapper version: I care not who makes the country's laws if I can make a few rich guys.

A lucky man is one who plays the sucker and learns his lesson before he has much to lose.

Every town has a few old-timers who were prominent citizens before they decided to outguess Wall Street.

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That's exactly what every country would have if vaccination were abandoned.

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Why tie up the automobile with beer flats? There were automobiles before prohibition came in, and girls at high school and college did not get drunk then.

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But if its business is to stabilize credit, and maintain confidence, it is a failure.

That Frenchman should borrow money freely at 4 per cent, using American securities as collateral, when those at home pay from 12 to

Quill Points

The great problem is that of distribution. Especially in the matter of tables.

If only you could develop a perfect memory without remembering the times you were such an ass.

Nature is kind, and youngsters usually turn out all right in spite of all their parents can do.

All of those who think war with England inevitable, and don't care if it is, are safely beyond the draft age.

Perfect example of tolerance: A candy manufacturer smoking a Lucky.

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LADIES AID MEET AT GRIMES HOME IN CENTRAL POINT

CENTRAL POINT, Ore., April 20.—(Special.)—The Ladies Aid of the Federated Church met at the home of Mrs. L. C. Grimes Thursday. There were 12 ladies present, and an enjoyable afternoon was spent together. Mrs. Grimes served delicious refreshments.

Mrs. H. P. Jewett took her son Harold to Medford Friday for treatment. He has been suffering with a gathering in his ear. She was accompanied by Mrs. L. C. Grimes.

Mrs. and Mrs. John Casad are the proud parents of a fine baby girl, born Monday morning. The little miss has been named Barbara May.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Davis were pleasantly surprised April 14th by a number of friends. Those who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith of Jacksonville, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Dietrich, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Whiteside and son Lloyd and Miss George Pruitt. Cards were the source of entertainment. Delicious refreshments were served and a jolly evening was spent by all.

Mrs. Everett Faber, who has been confined to her home with the flu, is able to be out again.

Mrs. G. S. Vincent of Sams Valley was in town Thursday. She had been visiting her daughter and son, who are in the sanitarium at Jacksonville. Her daughter expects to be able to go home Sunday and her son expects to go home in about a week. They have been in the sanitarium two months.

Mrs. L. E. Williams and Mrs. P. L. Johnson were in Medford Friday afternoon. Mrs. Williams took her little daughter Alma to have dental work done.

Mrs. H. T. Pankey and Mrs. H. W. Head returned Wednesday evening from a visit at Corvallis and Eugene.

Mr. Lord, who has been ill for some time, is reported very low.

Norval Wiley of Lake Creek was in Central Point Wednesday buying feed for stock on his ranch.

Ray and Mrs. J. M. Johnson have had word from their daughter, Mrs. R. F. Wilbur, of the serious illness of their baby daughter Gail. She has serious liver trouble as the result of the flu. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur have many friends in Central Point who are sorry to hear of their trouble.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Goldsberry were callers Wednesday evening at the G. E. Fox home in Medford.

Word has been received of the serious illness of True Maxfield of Chico, Cal. True is the son of Rev. Maxfield, former pastor of the Federated church of Central Point. Their many friends here are hoping for a more favorable report from him soon.

Marion Gray of Central Point is in a quite serious condition, due to a nervous breakdown.

Delegates of the P.-T. A. of Central Point will attend the county council to be held at the Lithia hotel in Ashland today.

Rev. John Stille of Trail will preach at the Federated church Sunday evening.

The members of the Golden Link class of the Christian church met for their monthly class party at the home of Mrs. J. E. Weaver on the Friday, April 12th. A very enjoyable time was had by all present. Dainty refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon.

Rev. Shephard of Phoenix will preach at the Federated church Sunday morning in the absence of Rev. J. M. Johnson, who with his daughter Amy, Mrs. Geo. Davis and Ruth Webster are attending the Christian Endeavor convention at Salem, Ore.

Mrs. LeRoy Lampert returned home Tuesday after spending a week visiting her husband and son, who are on their dairy ranch at Lakewood, Ore. Mrs. Lampert and her daughters will go to their new home at the close of school.

Bus Falls in River LISBON, Portugal, April 20.—(AP) Five persons were killed today and 26 injured when a motor bus crossing the great St. Louis bridge over the Tagus river at Santarem, fell into the river.

Burns in Crash TORONTO, Ont., April 20.—(AP) J. W. Barnes, president of the Eze manufacturing company, was burned to death here early today when the car he was driving crashed head-on into a street car.

ANNUAL ELECTION ENGROSSES CHIEF INTEREST OF C. E.

SALEM, Ore., April 20.—(AP)—Interest in the Oregon Christian Endeavor Union convention, which has been in session here since Thursday, increased today as the hour for the annual election of officers approached. The report of the nominating committee and the election of officers for the ensuing year was to be a feature of tonight's meeting. An oratorical contest for intermediate members from various parts of the state was to be held this evening also. Miss Sada Marie Chambers, superintendent of intermediates, was in charge.

Bids for the convention for next year will be considered at the session tonight. The Coos Bay region is making a strenuous campaign for the honor of entertaining the delegates in 1930.

The influx of delegates has taxed the capacity of the auditorium to such an extent that it is feared outsiders will have to be excluded from the meetings, owing to lack of room.

The parade, which was scheduled for late Friday was cancelled at the last minute due to heavy downpour of rain. The sightseeing tour was carried out.

EDUCATORS MEET TO HELP SCHOOLS IMPROVE IN WORK

SALEM, Ore., April 20.—(AP) A committee appointed by C. A. Howard, state school superintendent, to devise means of improving the work in the small high schools of the state is meeting here today. The committee will prepare a manual and a series of suggested daily programs for the use of the schools. It is said there are 130 high schools in the state of less than 50 students each to which the plan will apply.

The members of the committee are F. L. Stetson, of the department of education at the University of Oregon; J. E. Hamilton, superintendent of schools at Newberg; W. M. Smith, assistant state superintendent; H. E. Toby, superintendent at Stayton; John Walsh, county superintendent of Polk county; and Professor Erly, Oregon State college.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE GENERAL FIRE ASSURANCE CO. OF PAUL, FRANCE, on the thirty-first day of December, 1928, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon pursuant to law:

Table with columns: CAPITAL, Amount of capital stock paid up, \$301,000.00; Net premiums received during the year, \$484,930.84; Interest, dividends and taxes, \$11,082.59; Total income, \$526,013.43.

Table with columns: DISBURSEMENTS, Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses, \$267,900.02; Dividends paid on capital stock during the year, \$0; Total disbursements, \$267,900.02.

Table with columns: ASSETS, Value of real estate owned (market value), \$0; Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value), \$230,500.00; Loans on mortgages and collaterals, \$0; Total assets, \$230,500.00.

Table with columns: LIABILITIES, Dem. claims for losses unpaid, \$8,286.19; Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks, \$167,781.11; Total liabilities, \$176,067.30.

Table with columns: RESERVE, Reserve for unearned premiums, \$12,710.53; Reserve for losses, \$10,988.21; Total reserve, \$23,698.74.

Table with columns: OTHER INFORMATION, Name of Outgoing General Fire Assurance Co. Fred S. Jones & Co., United States Branch; Stationed at Portland, Oregon; for further information of Insurers, Medford, Oregon; Insurers Agency, Inc., Medford, Oregon.

MUTT AND JEFF—When in Rome, Eat Roman Candles

