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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

Death and the batter-brained kids are having some spirited tests of speed on our thoroughfares.

Zane Grey, American novelist, is well known in New Zealand as a fisherman. (Hutchinson, Kan. News.) The backhanded compliment.

Local wearers of golf pants, hornswoogled by a crooked Englishman who departed with the bet, and a red-headed girl, have wired the London police to look for a white horse. Mr. David Wood, who engineered the financial deal, has hopes that the carrot-topped lady will betray the original betrayer, as the whole thing is a smirch on the concentrated astuteness of Mr. Wood.

"A NOBLE EXPERIMENT" (Press Dispatch)

Ministers and the Anti-Saloon League supplied girls for the use as decoys in raids conducted by dry agents, says Edward Little, in defending his use of girls decoys in three raids in Lancaster, O.

The Charlie Strang scales lied all day yesterday, to members of the fair sex ascertaining the extent of their heft. There's sand in the spinach.

Dear Annie Laurie: I am a girl of fourteen. I would like your advice about going with a young man twenty-four years of age. (Penikese, East Oregonian.)

Antonio Sparrowitch, a member of the Sparrow gang of racketeers, disappeared in the twilight last evening. (The Oregonian.)

N. W. McGraw, the right hand and left leg of the Postal Telegraph, who was compressed in an accident by his present ample quarters and is rapidly losing the knack of crawling into a cigar box. He plans a hiking trip to the back end of his new domain when the weather settles.

Can't something be done with the beaverly chef who uses chilled pancakes in strawberry shortcake?

Mica Womack reported Monday that he has definitely located the backbone of the Mother Lode, and has \$12,000,000 concealed, and is waiting for a telegram from a big mining man in Denver.

Cong. Hawley forgot to put a tariff on the accursed banana, and the fruitmen are irked thereby, and it will take more than a hat full of pumpkin seed to pacify them.

One of the Copeco workers has a desk with a glass top. He will now put a snappy slogan, viz., "Work Is Its Own Reward," under the same, and report Tuesday mornings and Friday afternoons, in the future.

A demand has been made that science explain why all dinky mustaches are turkey red.

Gladders is expressed that the athletic glory of the high school is on the wane. People are weary of reading of the football team, and want the truth about the noon luncheons, and the water. Oratory, hemstitching, and the finer arts will get some recognition on the front page. It is better to catch a trout with worms, than a long forward pass.

THE NAUGHTY ONE
Stories told us
Of remind us
That we're not
So very bright
But joy
Is surely thrilling
When the real point
Comes to light.
(Kansas City Star.)

Expensive Weather
LONDON.—(AP) The prevailing cold in England has caused the postponement of so many race meetings that owners, jockeys, bookmakers and everybody connected with racing have suffered severe losses. No less than 24 days have been lost to racing thus far this season, entailing a financial loss estimated at \$200,000 to owners.

GREAT NEWS FOR MEDFORD AND JACKSON COUNTY

WITH the announcement of operation of the Blue Ledge a short time ago, and the extension of the Owen-Oregon railroad to Klamath Falls yesterday, no one can deny that the future of Medford and Jackson County, from the standpoint of industrial developments look brighter than at any time in the history of Southern Oregon.

We have previously commented upon the possibilities in the Blue Ledge development. While circumstances, such as variations in the price of copper, may alter plans, there is little doubt that the operative lease will, at the least, involve the expenditure of large sums, from which the business men of Medford will materially benefit.

THE Owen-Oregon announcement is the more important, for there is no doubt concerning the ultimate outcome. When a man like John S. Owen, president of the Owen-Oregon Lumber Company, says "our railroad should be extended to Klamath Falls," one can rest assured that eventually it will be.

And while this property will be constructed as a logging road, there is also no question but that it will eventually become a common carrier and give Medford and the Rogue River Valley direct connection with another transcontinental freight and passenger line to the Middle West and East.

WITH a large pear crop assured, prices rather more than promising, general business and agricultural conditions excellent, a tourist erop in the offing that is calculated to break all records, Medford is certainly justified in regarding the future with the greatest optimism. Things never looked better. As a matter of fact, they never looked half so good.

So the order is "Full steam ahead!" with absolute confidence that Medford needs only to continue her spirit of enterprise and aggressiveness to make the most of her new and manifold opportunities.

YOU CAN'T RIDE TO HEALTH

WELL, well! We supposed Edward Payson Weston had long since been taken to his fathers.

We first saw him nearly a quarter of a century ago when he was walking from New York to Boston and it was our job to "cover" him for the old New York Advertiser. He looked like a peppery old "Grandpap" then, but to cover his walk forced at least one cub reporter to dog-trot.

It was interesting to observe the care with which he tended his feet each night—his absorbed attention to them could only be compared with the modern flapper's attention to her lips and eyebrows. And, like the flapper, privacy was not essential, if he felt something in the chiropody line needed to be done.

A FEW years later he walked from New York to San Francisco in 100 days. There was no hitch hiking for "Ed." On a dusty gray boys on bicycles couldn't keep ahead of him. He was then three score and ten.

It was an ironical fact that a New York taxicab put an end to his walking days forever, and that this proud and self-reliant champion of all pedestrians to spend his last years in a wheel chair.

E. P. W. certainly deserved a better fate. But that is the way things work out now and then,—all wrong from our restricted human viewpoint. And so, at the ripe old age of 99, Edward Payson Weston died.

THERE are thousands of well-fed New Yorkers, riding down to the "street" in the rear seats of their limousines every morning, who could derive a helpful moral from the career of Grandpa Weston. But we don't believe they will.

Perhaps there is no short cut to culture, but a good short cut to an expensive education is to buy Consolidated something on a margin.

We trust those law violators who justify themselves by the Boston Tea Party will not object to taking their places in the front line trenches.

Those California editors came at the right time. Could anything be lovelier than the Rogue River valley at the present moment?

Neurotic—a grown-up who shows the same symptoms a kid does when he is spoiled.

Those wiseacres already preparing President Hoover's political obituary are going to have the surprise of their lives one of these days.

The farm relief system that will work will be the one that will not try to defy the law of supply and demand.

Who said there was nothing new under the sun? We note the students of Des Moines bring an injunction against a six months' vacation.

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.

DO WE SHAKE 'EM LAME OR TALK 'EM TO DEATH?

Politicians seldom achieve it, but put up and I will say that I have never benefited from any treatment so wonderfully. Do you shake hands with a long string of voters, workers or people who seek jobs. Maybe it is right that election arm should be confined to statesmen exclusively; politicians being men of actions, not words. I have no way of getting revenue on the public.

For several years physicians and public health authorities have evinced a fondness for the theory that certain infectious diseases, say the flu and what the old timers still quaintly term "common cold" are spread by the constant shaking hands. So strong is the belief of the health authorities in this theory that they sometimes place at the very head of the list of precautions recommended for those who would avoid such disease a reminder to wash the hands with soap and warm water immediately after shaking hands with any one who has a "cold."

In a general way we do not avail ourselves of the hot water and soap hand wash nearly as frequently as we should, for safety's sake. It ought to be deemed a nuisance to public health to offer food or drink for sale, to be consumed on the premises, without providing adequate facilities for the washing of the hands. It is customary in most communities to issue permits or licenses of some sort to places where food or beverages are to be sold for that purpose, but this licensing system is exceedingly lax and many such places are without any facilities for cleanliness. Typhoid, fever, paratyphoid, dysentery, colon bacillus infections, and other intestinal infections, are likely to be acquired thru contamination of food by unclean hands, as we know. Nevertheless, I have never seen any convincing evidence that such diseases as influenza, grippe, so-called colds, or in fact any of the respiratory infections, are spread in this way. I do not believe I run any risk of catching your cold by shaking hands with you—provided you refrain from talking to me while I'm doing it.

As a general rule, persons shaking hands do say something or other, no matter how lame, such as "How-do-you-do, and in fact any of the respiratory infections, are spread by coming within conversational spray range. I believe the infection is communicated by the how-do-you-do, and that it would occur quite as readily if the individuals merely approached within range and said "Howdy" and each shook his own hand and never touched the other at all.

Even if one should silently shake hands with a person having, say, diphtheria or whooping cough, immediately after the person has coughed in his hand or licked his finger, that might contaminate one's hand with diphtheria or pertussis bacilli, but it could not give one the disease. It remains for the diphtheria germs or whooping cough germs to find their way into one's nose or mouth, and they can't bug a fraction of an inch of their own accord, so they must be carried into the mouth or nose, on your own hand or finger; and that soon, for these disease germs cannot survive more than a few minutes, as a rule, on the skin, where it is light, dry and cold; germs need darkness, moisture and warmth.

Health authorities might well forget this futile effort to persuade civilized people to cease shaking hands, and direct their energies to popularizing hot soap and water hand washing.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Sippy Method
Some time ago you gave a very interesting talk about treatment of gastric or duodenal ulcer in which you described the Sippy treatment. Can you inform me where one may see Sippy's writing on the subject, if Dr. Sippy has published his method in a book or a medical periodical? (K. F. J.)

Answer.—So far as I know, the Sippy method is not available to laymen. Any good physician can follow the method in the treatment of gastric or duodenal ulcer. It would be unwise for a layman to attempt to manage it himself.

Have You a Match?
I had your formula for eczema

My husband brought home a bad case of ear after traveling for a week in crowds. I gave him your treatment—a H. M. E. B. in bed, with excellent results. Would recommend this treatment strongly for all husbands who threaten to hang around the house several days nursing themselves. And I suggest that the wife put plenty of mustard in the water. (Mrs. G. H. B.)

Answer.—The way you describe it, the hot mustard foot bath sounds pretty tough on a fellow; he quietly plans to lie abed a day or two, and alas he finds himself in hot water after all. Just the same, I still believe a hot-mustard foot bath, properly administered to the patient in bed, is the best first aid treatment for ear.

Ever notice how willfully a farmer "let stop plovin' to talk"? It seems like ever'buddy that gets into trouble "haint been workin' fer some time."

CALLES EXPECTED TO SEEK PRIVACY

MEXICO CITY, May 14.—(AP)—There was considerable speculation in Mexico City today as to the next role of General Plutarco Elias Calles, who returned here yesterday after a victorious campaign against rebels in northern Mexico.

At the time General Calles surrendered the presidency of this country to Emilio Portes Gil, December 1 last, he declared he was retiring to private life, but would be ready to serve his country in the hour of need.

General belief was that he would find the "hour of need" has passed now and would resign the post of minister of war he accepted, and seek the privacy of the home which he has purchased here.

HAVANA (AP)—Steps are being taken to form here a post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, an American organization.

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

ACROSS
1. Peaks of spires
2. Former Tammany boss
10. English Trot
11. Hill fort
12. Part of a state
13. Infrequent
14. The maple tree
15. Discarded rock
16. Anglo-Saxon slave
17. Extended
18. Hentwork
19. Does (archaic)
20. Leave out
21. Hollar
22. Worthless leaving
23. The lucky number
24. Yule
25. Type of sheep
26. A humming bird
27. Pampers
28. Aefform Build
29. Weaver on horseback
30. Deaver
31. Short letter
32. Faux pas
33. Biblical village
34. Sea eagle
35. Weeds
36. Standard
37. Obsequies
38. Faux pas
39. Satan
40. Entrance
41. Opposite the south

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle
PEAK SPARK STING
ALP OLDEN HONTO
JET LOOE ELAM TO
AM HOT RAID SIC
AMEAS LOE MICE
ANAM SETS LATER
STY IOTA RECESS
ALTO CANE
APOLLO FOND APE
RAYS SOLD INEX
ERIE APOD COEIR
NEO AVAL CONEIR
ON AVERARA ACE
STAYE EAGER WET
ESTER STEWS ELD

12. Eighteenth century musical
13. Suitable
14. Also
15. Kove up
16. A thin, crumpled cloth
17. South African automobile
18. Weight on balance beam
19. Strength
20. Isolated on the mother's side
21. Offactory organs
22. Measurable time
23. Confronted
24. French painter
25. Frenched fat of veal
26. Sort of flight
27. Lined mode
28. People
29. Pierre
30. Nervous twitching
31. Pertaining to adverbs
32. Fawns (coll.)
33. Charis
34. Object of derision
35. Bin for fodder
36. Material of which glass is made
37. German river
38. Fleets
39. Spanish title

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