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Ye Smudge Pot. By Arthur Perry. It looks like railroad construction in these parts would now consist of something more substantial than lead pencil tracks, and lately waves of the arms in a southwesterly direction.

The commission to be appointed by the president to determine what aids prohibition, expects to investigate from the "habits of analysis." They will be as full of deliberation as a section crew, and indulge in heavy thinking after the manner of Humdingers, Inc. The report will contain no mention of the chief cause for the present flailing state of Prohibition, viz: politics and politicians.

Scotland Yards has dropped everything to catch the English wretch who eloped with a red-headed lady, and David Wood's share of the golf jackpot.

Most wrong acts committed by men are the result of wrong mixtures in the stomach.—(Henry Ford, in Red Book Magazine.) That's right, Henry. And the drunker an autist gets, the fuller his gasoline tank.

IT SERVES THEM RIGHT! (Chico Enterprise) Will you please write a word on why the saxophone player gets the "back break"? A sax player nowadays has a worse reputation than a traveling salesman. He can meet girls, but a decent girl never cares to know him. I think the majority of the sax players are perfect gentlemen. Is it true that the majority of them are wild or is it just a joke which has traveled around?—Jack.

Several of the Older Girls have turned their winter furs inside out for summer wear.

Lady Ford-Coupe of the local imitation British set, got tired of waiting for Time, Tide, and the occupant of an up-country manor, who says "My dear" with a broad "a," and most painfully.

A catcher is a stout man in a baseball suit who signals for a curve and wonders what the pitcher will throw.—(Detroit News.)

Haying and hay fever have started.

The snow white dice rolled under the Persian rug, and when it was recovered it was a size larger and pea green in color. Junior put it there.

THERE IS NO WINTER (Eugene Guard) SALE OF FURNITURE—By \$25 equity in almost new 4-room modern house, with fireplace, kitchen nook, and lots of built-ins, for a car. Buy at 1628 W. 6th St.

Barbers of the city announce that they are in no way connected with the Alturas cut-off.

Edward Carleton of Harvard and Table Rock, threw the Debenure Plan in 17 mins. 52 secs. and could have taken twice as long. Mr. Carleton should be squinting yellow paint on pear blossoms.

Housewives have shouldered fly swatters, and the weapon is nifty for dusting off a boy.

ANOTHER "DRY" VICTORY And Mr. Michaelson's brother-in-law, arriving at a strategic moment, testified that the trunks were his, not Mr. Michaelson's. Thereafter, in order to convince the jury of Mr. Michaelson's innocence, it only remained for the brother-in-law to stand on his constitutional rights in refusing to answer the question whether the trunks had been bought for the purpose of bringing back liquor from Cuba.

Mr. Michaelson admits that he "might have been a little indiscreet" in bringing his brother-in-law's baggage through the customs under his own privilege of free entry. But the case is over. Another dry congressman has been exonerated. Liquor was found but nobody was punished for having it.—(New York World.)

EQUALITY IN HEALTH

NO one denies the right of every individual to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" on an equality with every other individual.

But as a special matter no one denies that this represents a Democratic ideal, which has never been attained in this country or any other.

Money has acquired a power which has not only affected the liberty and happiness of the individual but his very life. If statistics were available the number of people who have been denied health and life, because they could not afford proper medical care and surgical attention, would be appalling.

In an effort to correct this condition, the leaders of the Chicago Medical Society have devised a plan of free public clinics, where every individual, regardless of financial resources, may secure the best medical and surgical treatment available.

This would be brought about by a diagnosis of not only the individual's physical condition, but his financial resources. People of means would be charged in proportion to their ability to pay, people able to pay nothing would not be charged.

In other words, an artificial but actual equality would be attained. All patients would be given the same treatment charges, which would vary from nothing to the maximum fee, according to the individual bank account.

An approximation of this system has been adopted by many members of the medical profession in the past, but this is the first time that a public clinic along these lines has been proposed.

The idea is an excellent one, and we see no reason why it should not be a complete success.

HENRY FORD HAS A NEW IDEA

HENRY FORD, after refusing for more than ten years to speak for publication about his experiments in foods, for the first time discusses the subject in an authorized interview published in "The Red Book Magazine."

Mr. Ford's launching into the subject takes the form of a summons to the clergymen of America to make the instruction of people in food values and right eating part of their religious teachings. So important and fundamental does the automobile manufacturer consider food in its effects upon physical well-being, mental functions, character and conduct, that he declares a proper knowledge concerning it should be made "a part of religion."

Looking upon ministers as the logical teachers, Mr. Ford calls upon them to devote part of their time in the pulpit to teach people how to eat right as part of living right.

Most wrong acts and crimes, asserts Mr. Ford, "are the result of wrong mixtures in the stomach." When people apply a knowledge of food values and of right combinations in their daily life, illness and crime will diminish. "If people would learn to eat the things they should eat, there would be no need for hospitals," he says. "Jails and prisons would all have less to do. What greater mission can the clergy have than the elimination of sickness, jails and prisons?"

Prohibition, says Mr. Ford, has come to stay. "The desire to drink is a false appetite, and that appetite is created in the first place, not by liquor, but by wrong combinations of food. Set a man eating right, and his appetite becomes normal. He doesn't want liquor." Education in correct nourishment will finally vanquish "John Barleycorn." Mr. Ford credits the clergy with having "had much to do with the outlawing of the liquor traffic, thereby educating people in what not to drink."

"With that done," he goes on, "let the clergy teach people what to eat. Part of the lesson toward physical fitness was the elimination of meat on Friday. The clergy developed that. Let it go ahead and finish the job."

All of which is very interesting, but we fear neither the ministers, the doctors, nor the people, will adopt the scheme, until they are convinced Mr. Ford knows as much about dietetics, morals and religion as he knows about the inside of a gasoline engine.

Well, if he that exalteth himself shall be exalted, the future is rosy for Mr. Gann.

What does the average American family live on? Credit, brother.

Middle age is that period when another ache doesn't mean anything but "middle age."

Reform is very difficult. Crime hasn't improved any since the better class engaged in it.

People aren't such a bad lot. Nearly always the fool driver who kills a child says he is sorry.

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

THE LADY WITH THE FUNNY DOGS

In a talk about good feet the other day I paid a faint but earnest compliment to the shoe manufacturers for the good, hygienic shoes they are all making today. Purposely I tried not to be effusive about it, for I have often criticized these same shoe makers for the unhygienic shoes they formerly produced, and I have now a r a l s e d "em on the amount of improvement they have shown to date. The little talk the other day rounded off with a characteristically mean remark about the unfortunates, missus and woman who still cherish quaint ideas about footwear, and now I beg to call your attention for a moment to the lady with the funny dogs. Without the slightest intention of resurrecting that old bromide about the understanding it do maintain that one can make a fair estimate of the lady's intelligence by observing her dogs.

There is now plenty of experience to prove that the girl or woman who usually wears proper or hygienic shoes if any, may doff up with whatever freak conceals she wishes for a party or a special occasion, without doing the dogs any lasting injury. Here on the other hand there is enough experience to prove that few girls or women can habitually or daily mistreat their dogs with freak shoes without paying for it in suffering, disability or at least the awkwardness of deformity.

When one speaks of proper or hygienic shoes for girls or women today, it is pleasant to remark, one does not think of hideous or ugly orthopedic contrivances at all. Although the shoe makers have held back much more obstinately in the reform of shoes for girls and women, they have at least compromised with the eye for the sake of the foot, offering a reasonable selection of models in ladies' footwear that not only delight the unhappy feet but look as neat and stylish as a regular lady could wish.

College women, having the advantage of better education, both above and below the neck, particularly in the latter respect, have been among the earliest to adopt the more hygienic shoes now available. These girls, with a reasonable amount of physical training, appreciate the value of sound feet; they are willing to give the feet a fair break; and they find that the dogs respond well to kind treatment. A freshman likely encounters difficulties, for it takes some time for the dogs to grow accustomed to freedom when they are first released from captivity. But a soph or a junior can toss the old gym shoes or her regular brookes in the corner and institute her new policy of extravagance a heavy shindig may call for and the faithful dogs will stand by her nobly to the end of the party.

It would be a salutary regulation if girls were not admitted to school or college classes wearing heels over an inch high or less than two inches wide. It is a travesty on education that girls are sometimes admitted to high school or in some benighted communities even to grade school classes wearing French heels or something equally ridiculous. That these unfortunate girls come from homes where ignorance, even illiteracy, prevails, seems to make little difference to the persons who wish to do likewise. This is a matter of health and education mainly. The school superintendent or principal fails in his duty if he lacks the courage to enforce such a regulation in the face of any protests from unenlightened parents.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS These Ordinary Doctors I have been to most every doctor in this city and am still in the dark.—(J. A. B.) Answer.—What it was. At any rate, I am sure I can not surmise what the trouble may be.

Yeast for Pellagra. I see where you said dry yeast is good for pellagra. Please tell me what make. I—'s yeast good?—(Mrs. E. G. H.) Answer.—Any yeast is good, if fresh. No special brand. Any baker's or brewer's yeast. In some sections of Kentucky where pellagra is a prevalent disease, yeast may be bought in two pound packages for something like 20 cents a pound, the Kentucky medical authorities recommend yeast eating, for people who cannot get or cannot afford adequate rations of fresh meat, fresh eggs, fresh milk and fresh vegetables; it seems that a reasonable proportion of these fresh foods in the diet prevents or cures pellagra. This is attributed to a specific substance in such foods, called Vitamin F. This vitamin is present also in yeast.

No Antitobacco Tracts Have you any reading matter you could send me on the subject of why girls should not smoke, or the effects of tobacco on the female system? (A. M. L.) Answer.—No. Girls should not smoke for the same reason that boys should not smoke. Because it is injurious to health.

The Old Jug Game We have been drinking radium-ized water at home lately. Is this more healthful than ordinary drinking water? (Miss B. G.) Answer.—If it is ordinary water from a glorified jug, it is no more healthful and I believe no more "radiumized" than it would be if you kept it in the tea kettle. But, as Mr. Barnum might well have said...

One of the Few Please give me some information on Von Recklinghausen's disease. Few doctors seem to know anything about it. I am not asking you to prescribe for my case, but just to outline the usual treatment or the different treatments used by doctors.—(L. E. W.) Answer.—Rest easy, brother, I'm not going to prescribe for your case, because I have never before heard of the disease, and I can't give any information about it.

FIGHTERS CONTROL BIG ARIZONA FOREST FIRE NOGALES, Ariz., May 15.—(AP)—After burning over more than 15,000 acres the greatest forest fire in the history of this section of Arizona today was believed to have burned itself into the control of 100 weary men, who had fought the blaze on an ever-widening front for six days.

His Death Wire WHITEWRIGHT, Tex., May 15.—(AP) Two brothers and a companion were killed four miles north of Whitewright today when they walked into a high voltage wire which had been blown down.

MUTT AND JEFF—The Grumble Seat JEFF, THIS CAR'S GONNA SOLVE ALL MY HOT WEATHER WORRIES! AIN'T THIS NICE AND COOL? THE AUTO SALESMAN SAID THIS CAR IS ABSOLUTELY WATER TIGHT AND HE'S RIGHT! SOME CAR, JEFF. WHAT I LIKE ABOUT THE CAR IS THE DUPLEX-SPRINGS THAT ABSORB ALL THE SHOCKS!

THE NEXT TIME I'LL RIDE IN THE TOOL CHEST. IT'S SAFER!

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

ACROSS: 1. Hints, 2. Subsequent time, 11. Covered with grass, 12. Lybeline's daughter, 13. Substance containing metal, 14. Latin conjunction, 15. Meadow, 16. Hire, 17. Ocean, 18. Turned on an axis, 19. Propeller, 20. One of the Apostles, 21. One of the Apostles, 22. Sea (Fr.), 23. Upright, 24. Sifted positively, 25. Anapits, 26. A moon of Jupiter, 27. Small European fish, 28. Drums, 29. Covered with stiff hairs, 30. Smooth and pleasant in manner, 31. Roman god of love, 32. College of feline, 33. High (mus.), 34. Suggests indirectly, 35. On top of, 36. Portuguese coin, 37. Hiding-places, 38. Very (Spanish), 39. Proposed language, 40. Unit, 41. Three times nothing, 42. And (French), 43. Traps, 44. South American prairies, 45. Part of a down, 46. Note of the scale, 47. One who uses a present, 48. Method, 49. Car singer, 50. Mohammedan noble, 51. Talless amphibian, 52. Exist, 53. Father, 54. For example, 55. Refreshment, 56. Parts of golf links, 57. A delicate shading, 58. Or (mus.), 59. Old-fashioned explosives, 60. Moved, 61. Six square meters, 62. Before, 63. Harkened, 64. Finliest, 65. Podal slight, 66. Three-toed slights, 67. Peoples, 68. Edges of, 69. Sical sand, 70. Kings, 71. Peoples, 72. Topsy tumming bird, 73. Afternoon function, 74. Breakfast cereal, 75. Down, 76. Cakes, 77. Sight of, 78. Deprive of, 79. Chemical suffix, 80. Sharpens, 81. One who sharpens tools, 82. Ernie, 83. The Arabian goddess, 84. Infelicitous amount, 85. Exist, 86. Father.

Grid for the crossword puzzle with numbers 1-86 indicating starting positions for words.

Quill Points

Happy thought! Let Uncle Sam borrow a few billions from Europe and then he'll agree to cancel.

Which is the sucker? The brick-layer drives to work in his own car, and the gangster must steal a car when he needs one.

The middle class, apparently, is the one that can't indulge in non-sens without feeling self-conscious and ashamed.

There are two sides to any industrial row—the right side and the one that refuses to arbitrate.

Bankers would need relief, too, if every passing tourist climbed the fence to get a sample of their commodity.

That lecturer who deplores the waste of white paper may have been reading the editorial page of the Saturday evening Post.

We must have diplomats. Otherwise the people, busy about their own affairs, wouldn't know which country to hate.

Fortunately, the town whose masked citizens order one to leave is the kind that anybody should be glad to leave.

Americanism: Sending missionaries to the heathen; averaging 9,000 murders a year here at home.

Do You Remember?

10 YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of Mail Tribune) May 15, 1909.

Charles Hazebrot today resigned as leader of the Medford band, declaring there is no money in it. Today was Medford day at the Portland chamber of commerce. Among Medfordites who attended were A. H. Miller, A. S. Rosenbaum, S. A. Nye, W. M. Colvig, F. C. Page and J. E. Mundy.

Elias Rand, engineer representing a Seattle syndicate, is in the city and says the new railroad to Crescent City will cost \$5,000,000. Ad: Ladies' swell hose at Hussey's, 25c a pair.

There are 20 petitions for new water mains at the city hall. F. E. Merrick of Medford has an article this month in "Better Fruit," on apples as a medicinal food.

20 YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of Mail Tribune) May 15, 1910. Three U. S. seaplanes hop off from Trepansey, N. F., for Azores. Herbert Gray is elected president of the Junior class at high school.

Fred Heath and Ralph Aitken have returned to this county from overseas and are in San Francisco. Clark Henry company starts paving on Pacific highway north of Central Point.

Medford Elks purchase 12 acres on Rogue river for fishing club. Mrs. Alice Ulrich elected head of district Rebekahs; Mrs. Nellie Perl, vice-chairman.

Pebuch Resigns SALEM, Ore., May 15.—(AP) J. A. Pebuch, Portland lawyer, has submitted to the supreme court his resignation as a member of the Oregon bar.

Biddle Plans Culture Hub NEW YORK, May 15.—(AP) For the midst of Central Park social leaders are planning "the world's finest restaurant, a dining place for society around which the cultured life of the city can rotate." A corporation headed by A. J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., is leasing a Casino from the city. It intends to spend \$500,000 in improvements.

Tired and Achy Mornings? Too Often This Warns of Sluggish Kidneys. MORNING find you stiff, achy all over you?

Doan's Pills. A great man never seems so mortal as when he attempts a sickly smile to please the photographer.

Doan's Pills. Lively Elme company added additional men to force at quarry near Gold Hill.

COMPLEXION IMPROVED... QUICKLY. Look Fit! Be Alive! Get rid of that pasty, sallow, or blotchy complexion!

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