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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry. This town submits uncomplainingly to whatever down the main stem, and likes to hear mean remarks about the Portland ball team.

Females' backs are gleaming in the warm June sun, tanned to a rich brown by the drug store. A high official of the Anti-Saloon league infers that the recent dry killings are "acts of providence." This beats blaming it on the newspapers.

SOME ADJECTIVES SPILLED

(Congressional Record) Pardon a few sentences by way of preliminary. This is not the first occasion upon which I have had the honor and the pleasure of addressing the patriotic, progressive, powerful people of the patriotic, progressive, powerful portion of the famed, lovely and ever-advancing state of Maryland.

Mining activity has been resumed where the fishing is fine, and the deer look their head through the bedroom window at dawn.

The carvings beat the blue floor for males, to these parts.

The Dallas Chronicle wants to know what brand of cigarettes were puffing by the son captain who lingered aboard a wrecked vessel in a heroic gesture. His employers have hired no brass band to welcome him nor raised his pay.

Tom Mix, the actor, who thought he was robbed of \$76,000 he was packing around, is probably trying to find a bank. They are much safer than the hip pocket.

The Older Girls have started to allege that they like the heat, and none of the stronger sex has the gumption to allege they don't.

Watermelons are available. They cannot be bought for a song. They are as money eating as roasting ears, and their seeds are everlastingly staining the Irish linen table cloth.

Not a 6th st. lamp post, to date, has leaped unimpeded in front of a passing auto.

YOU'VE MET THIS TYPE

(Kansas City Times) Dear Casper: There are two or three couples of us who have been running around together for quite a while, even before we were all married; we are in three or four different "crowds" now and several of us girls do not approve of the way our own husbands treat us toward our husbands. We have said nothing about it yet, or rather we have done nothing about it yet, because we felt, and still feel, that she means nothing whatever by it. She is a likeable, jolly girl, and we all think that her actions are unaccounted solely by her "happy-go-lucky" nature and her friendliness. But at the same time we can't help but feel she is going a little too far when she acts toward our husbands almost as though they were her own—Anxious Three.

The Anxious Three should know that the way to stop this foolery is to start necking her husband in self-defense, and we are surprised at the lack of initiative on their part. Application of this treatment is agreeable to all concerned, and will knock the romantic jolliness out of the offending lady forthwith.

Besides getting drunk and using venereal, the son of Senator Tom Hottin said: "We lay down and go boom!"

LINE ON A CHERRY PIE

No cherry pie can be better than its bottom crust. It drives one to thoughts of riot and bolshievism to see a cherry pie, bright of face, the bloom of youth upon its countenance, only to find that there has been an overflow in the "bottoms" and that the "makin's" have "run" there is more or less of luck in the making of a cake, but there is nothing but art and eternal vigilance in the making of a pie. A good bottom crust can not come from a quick oven. A quick oven bakes the upper crust, but it leaves the bottom crust a cross between a quagmire and a paste.—Exchange.

Verona golf course opened.

WHAT THE RAILROADS HAVE DONE

FEW people, we fear, realize what the railroads of this country have done in the short space of ten years. In looking over the Mail-Tribune files of 1919, we found that the railroads were just being returned from government to private operation. They were all run down, some bankrupt, none prosperous. The general impression was the railroads as money making organizations were doomed.

Now what do we see? The railroads are more prosperous today than at any time in a quarter of a century. And, more remarkable, this condition has been brought about almost entirely by greater efficiency in method.

For example, the average wage of railroad employees has for six years been constantly increasing, while the average cost of railway operation has been decreasing.

One can best get an adequate idea of the magnitude of what has been accomplished by comparing the results of the year 1928 with those of 1923. Total operating expenses last year were \$473,000,000 LESS than in 1923. But the average wage paid was four and one-half cents per hour MORE.

This merely shows what American business efficiency can do when it sets about it seriously and with determination.

And incidentally it is interesting to observe that the greatest savings and most conspicuous improvements in service were made in the Middle West and East where railroad competition is keenest.

AIRPORTS

"B"UILD the bird house and the birds will come," is an old saying which is more true of human fliers than of the feathered variety.

Aviation follows the airports like gamblers follow the horses. Commercial air lines establish their terminals in cities offering the best landing fields, hangars and other terminal facilities. It is not enough to pick out a vacant lot, designate it as an airport and then develop it in an old-fashioned, better-skelter way. The problems of the airport, whether it be urban, suburban, inland or coastal, are complex, requiring for solution the combined experience and knowledge of the aviation expert, the engineer, the city planner and the architect.

The community which overlooks today's great opportunity for providing for air traffic, not only for the future but for the present, will be found in the same position as those which refused to encourage the railroad in the pioneer days.

TRAFFIC NEEDS WIDER ROADS

THAT many states have already outgrown the two-lane highway is the opinion of the president of the Pennsylvania Motor Federation, a representative organization of automobile owners.

This traffic authority argues that the two-lane highway is too narrow to permit a free flow of traffic and that the physical limitations of such a road nullify the mechanical possibilities the public demands in the modern motor car.

With the steady increase in the number of motor vehicles, and the rapid strides in power, speed and safety manufacturers are building into the car of today, the problem of wider roads is approaching a crisis. If main arteries of travel were built to provide at least four-lane roads, mass traffic of mixed speed ability would have room to form in selective groups based on speed without ever-present danger or inconvenience to all users of the highways. Statistics can be cited to prove that the accident rate decreases as highways widen.

Is it too early to talk of wider highways when no state has money enough to complete its highway system with improved two-lane roads? Perhaps not. For one thing, four-lane roads at some points are more urgently needed than two-lane roads at others. And experience has taught highway builders that it costs much less to widen a thoroughfare than to build a new one.

The President's commission is getting advice concerning all evils except that of offering gratuities advice to public officials.

If a night club hostess doesn't know liquor is sold, what does she think it is makes men silly enough to pay \$2 for ginger ale?

SCHOOL ELECTION IS HELD IN EAGLE POINT

EAGLE POINT, Ore., June 22.—(Special)—Monday, June 17th, a large number of parents and taxpayers attended the annual school election when the following directors were elected: Lester Throckmorton, three-year term; Mrs. William Hest, one year, and Mrs. Edith Weidman, clerk, for one year.

The matter of transporting pupils from the outlying districts was successfully carried.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Garrett entertained at dinner Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Theron Jones and Claude Cox of Grants Pass and Mr. and Mrs. T. L. McClelland of Eagle Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pruitt of Hillsdale, Cal. are here for a two-week visit with relatives and friends. Mrs. Pruitt is the daughter of William Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Young of Portland and formerly of Brownboro, were calling on friends in Eagle Point all day Tuesday. They were en route from California to their home in Portland.

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.

GOTTER IN TENNESSEE

A sample of drinking water from Nashville contained 22 parts of iodine per 100 billion parts of water, which is a very low proportion. A Nashville physician would have us drink, if my arithmetic is a p.p.o.x. imately accurate, a seven barrels of water with each of his four meals and a couple puffed on retiring each night, in order to get enough iodine from the water to keep his metabolism going.

Western Tennessee is a low coastal plain some 150 feet above sea level, bordered by alluvial bottom lands along the Mississippi Middle Tennessee, from the Tennessee river to the Cumberland plateau is first a limestone valley ranging from 700 to 1000 feet altitudes and then an elevated highland verging into the Appalachian range in the eastern part. Some of the higher mountains rising to 2000 feet.

The prevalence of goiter among men examined for war service was comparatively low in the Tennessee draft, 25 other states offering material having a higher goiter incidence than the Tennessee candidates showed.

Recent examinations of school children gave these data: 9073 white boys, 11429 white girls, 1729 colored boys and 2196 colored girls, attending senior and junior high schools, an upper grades of grammar schools in 40 different localities, presented a total of 4878 goiters, approximately one-fifth of the 25,000 children examined. Approximately one-fourth of the white boys and one-tenth of the white girls had goiter. Approximately one-eighth of the colored boys and one-third of the colored girls had goiter.

Of course, in nearly all cases the goiter was simple goiter, and in most of them it would scarcely be noticed except by medical examination. There seemed to be more goiter in the eastern mountainous section than in the western lowland.

No relationship was indicated between the prevalence of goiter and the water supply. In Tennessee there is slightly more goiter among people who drink chlorinated water. In Oregon, however, there is slightly more goiter among people who do not drink chlorinated water than among those who drink chlorinated water. This surely proves that chlorination of the water supplies has nothing to do with goiter. Anyway, there is nothing but fancy or conjecture to support the notion that chlorination of the water is responsible for goiter.

The use of iodized salt in place of ordinary salt is scarcely sufficient to insure an adequate iodine ration for everybody. I believe it is well for every child and adult in Tennessee, or other inland section to take a drop of tincture of iodine in a glass of water every week or nearly every week, whether iodized salt is used or not.

QUESTION AND ANSWERS

Circumlocution. I am having our 2 weeks old boy circumcised. My folks seem to think I shouldn't have it done. What is your opinion about it. I have no special reason, only I believe it is more sanitary. We are great believers in your teaching and would appreciate your views about this.—F. L. K.

Answers—It is necessary only when there is interference with cleanliness or with voiding. Your physician should decide in case of an abnormality or disease.

Nature knows best. All wild creatures mate for life—except the dogs and cattle that can get along without a home.

A partisan is a man who thinks you are against him if you talk sense.

An editor is a chief who prescribes a daily dish and dies still wondering which ingredients kept the customers coming back for more.

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Wars are expensive, especially when they take you by surprise and you have to hire a \$1 year patriots to spend your billions hurriedly, without getting anything for them.

At the same time, it is a good thing that rich men now spend their money on education, science, and fighting disease, instead of using it, as they did once, trying to bribe the Almighty and purchase eternal bliss for their unimportant souls.

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MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

ACROSS: 1. Mediterranean island. 2. Group of Pacific islands. 3. Standards of perfection. 4. Horse of a certain gait. 5. Word of denial. 6. American writer. 7. Kind of electric light. 8. Exclamation of process. 9. Hindu princess. 10. Exclamation of disgust. 11. Take account of. 12. Exclamation of alarm. 13. Exhaling chambers. 14. Worship. 15. Down prefix. 16. Misquotations. 17. Engineering degree. 18. The bitter. 19. Pares. 20. Visually. 21. Man's name. 22. Surname loosely. 23. European mountains. 24. Tolerant. 25. Female sheep. 26. Those who engage in an occupation for money. 27. Turf. 28. Mankind's archenemy. 29. Desert. 30. Fresh water. 31. Years between twelve and twenty. 32. New England state abbr.

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-32 placed in the grid.

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Do You Remember?

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of Mail Tribune.) June 22, 1919. Germany agrees to sign peace treaty. Seventy killed by tornado near Fergus Falls, Minnesota. Dave and Harry Rosenberg take over Bear Creek orchard and sell out sheep business.

Ralph McCurdy, after service overseas, motored to Medford yesterday from San Francisco to look after his extensive insurance business. He has resigned his position as insurance manager for the Bank of Italy.

Smudge: The feathers of the peace dove are somewhat bedraggled. The Alaska Indians have gone on the war path.

Gen. E. Marshall defends W. T. York for school director. Charles Strang retires from board and J. H. Cochran becomes chairman.

Geo. Loggett, prominent Minneapolis grain merchant, buys Will Stewart orchard of 170 acres for \$55,000.

New York:—There is a strong probability that President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton university will be a nominee for governor of New Jersey.

Butte Falls:—The latest report here is John R. Allen and Mr. Dewing will construct an electric line from here to Eagle Point. We do not care who builds the road so long as one is constructed.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF CENTRAL POINT MEET ATRALPH DEAN HOME

CENTRAL POINT, Ore., June 22.—(Special).—The Royal Neighbors met at the pleasant country home of Mrs. Ralph Dean June 12, with Oracles Sarah Vincent presiding. After the business meeting, a social afternoon was enjoyed. Mrs. Leonard Freeman at the piano played several instrumental numbers, and Miss Doris Richardson sang two numbers. She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Freeman. There were talks by several of the ladies. Visitors from Medford were Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Conrad, Mrs. Waddell and Mrs. Frey. The hostess served delicious refreshments. She was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Leonard Freeman.

Horace Terrell of Newberg was calling at G. E. Fox office Wednesday. Mr. Terrell was on his way to California and will enter Stanford university. He was a former athletic teacher in Central Point.

Howard Mayfield, who was taken to Portland a short time ago to the Good Samaritan hospital, underwent a serious operation June 17, but is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mayfield were over from Klamath Falls Sunday to visit Mr. Mayfield's mother.

George Ford and Fred Hesselgrave are putting a new roof on the A. G. W. hall.

Chas. Duncan, who is quite elderly is on the sick list this week.

A. W. Ayers is employed on the E. C. Fisher ranch. His prune orchard shows fine prospects of being a large crop and they are of a fine quality.

Mrs. A. T. Fairwell of the fox farm west of Central Point, and Mrs. Ned Pomeroy and a friend and Pete Pomeroy were shopping with our merchants Wednesday.

Miss Lorna Hamrick, who has been teaching in California, is home to spend her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hamrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Martin and family are enjoying a visit from Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Miller of Oakland, Calif.

Miss Marian Hamrick of Central Point and Mrs. and Mrs. Sherman Marchese of Ashland expect to leave Sunday for Yosemite, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. John McJimsey went to Grants Pass Tuesday on business.

NEW YORK.—(9)—With the thermometer in the 90's, John D. Rockefeller, Jr. has been exercising one of the rights and duties of a good citizen. He sat on a jury that heard a commercial case.

Showing an excellent fight between a man and a horse, "The Hardest of Hate," starring Rex, king of wild horses, will open at the Rialto theatre tomorrow.

The performances of this intelligent animal star have made him one of the most popular "actors" on the screen.

Jacky Porcin and his wonder horse, Starlight, play featured supporting roles. Helen Foster is the heroine and Tom London is the villain. There are many thrilling scenes, including that of a runaway circus wagon, a headlong plunge over a cliff and a terrific fight between two men.

By BUD FISHER

