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Ye Smudge Pot
By Arthur Perry

The forests are staging an imitation of "dancing youth," but they know where the forests are.

A fiend in human form, and known to all as "Smudge," modeled Father Robin late yesterday as he was playing on the back limb of her parents' home. Mrs. Robin was warned of an approaching tragedy by the sun shining on the nickel-plated barrel of an air-gun.

His double barrel gun 49, one under the league record of 49 held by "Paul" Warner—(Oregonian). Mathematics for the masses.

Owing to the unfavorable comment directed at its kind in these columns, a Boston building with a screw-tail passed us on the Main Street evening and did not seem to growl and shake the well known key shoulder.

The law of gravity has been administered a mild rebuke, for unexpectedly going to work.

WHERE'S THAT CRYING TOWEL?
(Fountain Inn Tribune)

This town has two policemen. Just why, nobody knows; but we have them. As a rule they have nothing to do, but once in a blue moon they find somebody who needs a towel and arrest him. When they do, they feel peeved if credit is given to the sheriff.

The University of Oregon football team has started practicing. It is understood the university will use corn fed youth to maul and run this year, instead of traditions and Portland high school stars.

The Reg. Parsons truck, with inland panels, is running around our streets again.

The wisdom of closing the deer hunting season is questioned. If the careful hunters were loose in the careless woods, now burning so merrily, they would first put out the fire, and then start shooting the deer, and themselves.

FAMOUS CUT-UPS
Alvins
Williams Creek—
Hates Boys.

An editor of the Literary Digest quit his job and proposed to enter the tall timber of New Brunswick seeking nothing but a pair of specks, and remaining until Thanksgiving, just to prove that he could do it. The Canadian government forbid. Our confidence in the Literary Digest is so stout that we are surprised he ever got started.

The current supply of apple cider lacks vivacity, and has the general appearance of the water in the low places where the skunk cabbage grows.

The Saturday night dances last week-end did not amount to much. Miss Jackie Waltz ceased talking about them this noon.

The Philadelphia Americans have bought three ball players from the Portland ball team, which brings up the question: Where have the three ball players of the Portland ball team been since the season started?

THE RABBIT REMARKS
Genuine Badger, Canadian Wolf, Beaver, or Fox, or Raccoon.
Plenty of lettuce and cabbage to munch.

And I will be one of them soon. Say but a word, and I'll turn out in stripes.
Mink or a Tiger I'll be, Which would you rather have? Ermine or Seal?
Whisper directions to me.

Other, or Caravel, Astrakhan, Lash—
From my duty I never have shrunk!
Name but your fur, and that fur I will be.
Always excepting the 8—

Always excepting that nauseous heart.
Anything else I will be; The price will be varied to suit your request.
So send in your orders to me. (Kansas City Star.)

A bill to tax meat in Missouri that its passage indirectly would have defeated the soldiers arguing license brewing in the home.

American women in Berlin have organized a luncheon club similar to those operated by men in this country.

THE CENTRAL POINT ROAD WILL BE IMPROVED EVENTUALLY

To the Editor:
Jackson County built the first section of the Pacific Highway in this state between Central Point and Ashland, and the people of Jackson County paid for it. For many years the people of the entire state, as well as visiting tourists, have used it. Now the highway between Medford and Central Point is in poor condition and badly in need of resurfacing. It should also be straightened. It seems to me only right and proper this work should be done by the state highway commission, and I believe if properly approached the commission would do this. Here is a proposition I think the Medford papers and the Chamber of Commerce should support.

THE above is a portion of a communication received today and signed W. A. Pierce, R. F. D. 3. The main facts are correct as stated but, with so many large projects uncompleted, it will probably be some time before straightening and repairing the completed Pacific Highway can be undertaken. There are also new projects in Jackson County which would seem to demand first attention.

However, there is no question that, eventually, the highway between Medford and Central Point will have to be straightened and portions of it resurfaced. Many curves should be eliminated entirely and the distance between the two places materially reduced.

CHANGES in the highway are also needed between Savage Rapids and Grants Pass. Here the highway twists and turns like a snake when there are no difficult engineering problems to meet, and with very little extra expense a "straight shoot" for the Climate City could be made.

But, as before stated, these problems must be viewed from the standpoint of the state at large, rather than from one section only. And while Jackson County certainly deserves to be recompensed for over a million dollars it placed in the first unit of the Pacific Highway, under the circumstances this will probably have to be a matter of future, rather than immediate, settlement.

MAKING THE DEAD COME TO LIFE

THE morbid, unhealthy strain in Russian literature is well known. A few weeks ago a prominent English author maintained that this element had been exaggerated by foreign critics, that literary work under the Soviet regime is sane and strongly objective, and that the Russian people are mystical rather than morbid.

In the current Bookman, however, there is an article by the successful English novelist, Rebecca West, which, we believe, re-enters this contention and tends to demonstrate that the morbidity of the Russian character is inherent, and that the unhealthy strain in its literature is a natural reflection of the Slav temperament.

To quote Miss West's interview with a Russian journalist who witnessed an experiment made by one of Dr. Pavlov's pupils:

"He told me he had been over to the Institute of Science to see the demonstration of an experiment by one of Pavlov's pupils," writes Miss West. "A wolfhound had been brought in chained, its head was cut off, and put on a plate, where it remained for half an hour. Then the large veins of the head were joined by tubing to an artificial heart in a tank.

"Lo, the head that had been dead, lived again. Offered food, it accepted it. Offered an acid, it rejected it. Its eyes, its jaws, its tongue, its ears, made such patterns of communication as it had done in life. And when the tubes were cut, it died a second time."

The most interesting part of Miss West's conversation in The Bookman, however, was the conviction expressed by the journalist that some of the foreign scientific students, in the interests of science, would offer themselves for the experiment. When she remarked that the experiment could have no real psychological interest until it is done on a human subject, who can speak, her informant replied:

"You can be sure that those Russians have thought of that. There will be one at least of those making up his mind to offer himself for the experiment."

"We were silent," continued the writer, "as we meditated on the strange and terrible situation in which, without doubt, one of our fellow creatures found himself at the moment. If one felt it one's job in the world to serve the working out of the physiology of the brain, then one would feel it one's duty to dive down into death, come up again just for that hopeless minute and no longer, and then go back."

We don't believe such an experiment would be possible in any civilized country out side of Russia. For, while it is sensational and bizarre, the horror and cruelty of it seems to us to far outweigh any possible scientific benefits that might result.

Such an experiment would no doubt delight the morbid fancy of a Gogol or Dostoevsky and perhaps thrill the reading public of modern Russia, but until its value from the standpoint of increased human knowledge, and human benefit, were more clearly established, we believe it would be shunned by any race, without a definite strain of morbidity in its veins.

No auto parking regulations will be satisfactory to everyone and the value of none can be demonstrated in a week or two weeks. The sensible thing to do regarding Medford's new program is what has been done—give it a fair test before jumping to any definite conclusions one way or the other. Then when a reasonable period of time has elapsed, make only those changes the need of which experience has clearly demonstrated.

Infant—a noisy appetite of varying humidity.

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 typed 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.

ALL MEAT AND NO VEGETABLES MAKE AN ADEQUATE DIET

(Continued from yesterday.)
EDITORS NOTE: In yesterday's article, Dr. Brady reported on the surprising results of a one year all meat diet in a nutritional experiment conducted by competent specialists upon the noted explorer Vilhjalmod Stefansson and his companion explorer, Anderson. As a result of these tests many hitherto accepted ideas on diet must be discarded. Dr. Brady concludes the subject today.

Here the scientists had what is unquestionably a unique opportunity. Most of our nutrition knowledge is drawn from animal experiments. I am not sure that is not a way a reliable for application to man. These two famous men had already given much to the world in their polar adventures. In this experiment they wholeheartedly subjected themselves to many annoyances and, in some cases, dangers, in order to enable the scientists to make accurate measurements and observations of the effects of a high protein diet on the human metabolism. One having read Stefansson's "Five Years in the Arctic" may readily imagine that to him this experiment was a harder trial than any experience he encountered in the far north.

Dr. Clarence W. Lieb, of New York, had charge of the experiment, and a staff of specialists in various departments made the frequent tests and measurements of metabolism. Much of the study remains to be published. But some interesting conclusions are now in hand.

For one thing, the kidneys functioned as well on the all meat diet as they do on ordinary mixed diet. This should put finally at rest that old tradition that too much meat or meat in any quantity is hard on the kidneys.

The proportion of uric acid in the blood before the beginning of the experiment and at the conclusion of the year of meat diet was not appreciably changed. Uric acid should dispose of the complaint body that you must not eat meat if you have the uric acid complex. It should also give a fellow tourist of steaks and such items a good smile at the archaic prohibition of red or dark meats in the diet of one theoretically suffering from uric acid.

Studies of the intestinal flora, the growth of bacteria in the colon, proved that the effect of an all meat diet is to simplify this and to reduce both the numbers and the types of germs in the bowel. There was no evidence of increased growth or activity of the putrefactive types of bacteria. In both cases there was no increase in discomfort and the stools were normal. No blood corpuscles were found in the fecal specimens at any time, and rarely any mucus. Mucus appeared once in the case of Stefansson and twice in the case of Anderson and twice in the case of Anderson. All of these observations tend to overthrow the long-standing tradition that the "light" word structure built up by the food factors, faddists and critics who so freely ascribe most of the ill health is due to the flesh-pots.

It is a fine thing Stefansson and Anderson have done. But it does not seem fair and equitable to use such men for such experimental purposes, even if they do offer themselves to science. Once more I would urge upon the public the consideration of the proposal of Prof. Albert P. S. that it would be better for the world to use the inmates of prisons for this work. That would be a humane thing, and it would be giving these offenders an opportunity for the wrong sort of compensation for the wrong they have done society; as if they hold they have not wronged society, then it would give them a good chance to show their willingness to do the world a good turn.

I really cannot conceive of any good reason why we should make all inmates of penal institutions available for just such experiments as these two great explorers have voluntarily undergone. I believe the moral influence of such service would have a chastening and wholesome effect on the lives of these wards of the state.

Suppose Stefansson and Anderson had developed some serious or even fatal condition, say avitaminosis from the restricted diet. That would engender much bitterness and remorse. But if men whose ability or life is forfeit suffered such unforeseen consequences from an experiment in nutrition, there would be no regrets—the victims merely paid something on their debt.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
RAYMOND and BURGER'S Diseases
A review of your recent remarks about Raymond's and Burger's diseases, both are being treated by reaction of the cervical ganglia (at upper half of body involved) or the lumbar ganglia (of lower half of body is involved). We have had excellent results from this method. (A. J. G. M. D.)

Answer—Thank you, Doctor. The removal of some of the relay stations of the sympathetic nervous system, referred to by the medical correspondent, sounds formidable but it is not a serious operation, and it seems to offer relief in some very troublesome cases.

Lead Poisoning
Working for three years on a job in which I constantly get white lead under my nails. (B. C. H.)
Answer—Then you must be particularly careful to avoid putting your fingers in your mouth. That is the only way you could get lead poisoning in such circumstances. If the point or lead is sucked as dust, you may get lead poisoning by inhaling the dust.



The Indian Tepee
By Mary Graham Tanager
The little black clock had certainly succeeded in changing the whole scene back several hundred years.

No sooner had he told John and Peggy of his magic powers than they saw an Indian tepee. All around was a great prairie, and in the distance the children saw a fine herd of buffaloes.

The tepee had figures painted on it and all sorts of fancy pictures. Smoke was coming out of the top, and from the little opening at one side an Indian chief appeared.

How magnificent he was! How tall, how splendid, how strong! John longed to feel his muscles, but he waited to see what would happen.

"Enter," said the chief, "Boy-of-many-years-from-now, enter and be welcome."

Then at the opening of the tepee appeared an Indian woman, and following her were several children.

"Girl-of-many-years-from-now, enter! Enter and be welcome," she said to Peggy.

So Peggy and John and the little black clock entered the tepee.

There the fire was burning. The chief and woman and the children sat around on stones in front of the fire. John and Peggy looked about at the low beds, the feathers, the pipe of the great chief and toys belonging to the children.

"Boy of the White Face, Girl with Eyes the Color of the Sky on the Noblest Days," began the chief, "we will eat of soup and corn before the clock dance begins."

The woman saw that all had plenty to eat. Peggy saw the dolls belonging to the Indian girls, and John was most interested in arrowheads.

Then the chief gave a great whoop.

"We must get ready. We must put on more paint, more beads, more feathers. The dance, O Mighty Little Clock, is about to begin."

The clock clapped his hands. "This is going to be splendid. I hoped they would do this for us."

Tomorrow—"The Clock Dance"
Non-profit making industries will provide work for 500 students at Oklahoma A. and M. college this year.

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

1. Interest	12. Small island
2. Ends of dis-	13. Pairs apart
3. Social author-	14. States
4. All that could	15. Pairs greatly
5. Full of: suffix	16. Tough breath-
6. Pays attention	17. Land Latta
7. Father's	18. Single thing
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