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THE S. P. BETTER 'TALK SMALL'

THE dear old S. P. seems to be running true to form at the I. C. C. hearing in San Francisco.

"Do you mean to intimate, Mr. Budd, that the S. P. does not, or can not, adequately handle the present traffic?"

Much laughter in which the S. P. delegation does not join, their faces, according to our trustworthy correspondent, being suffused with blushes.

"Don't you admit, Mr. Adams, the S. P. line is 100 miles shorter than the proposed Western Pacific-Great Northern line?"

Aye verily, a hit was registered there. One hundred miles more or less is no handicap in matching the time-honored schedule of the Southern Pacific between these two cities.

AND there was no rejoinder. For naturally the dear old S. P. couldn't maintain they could reduce their present schedule by 30 or 40 per cent without admitting the truth of the contention they are trying to prove, namely: that competition would reduce their time and improve their service.

All of which is very amusing. If the Great Northern request should be granted—and we certainly hope it will be—it will be interesting to watch the dear old S. P. jump out of its wheel chair, throw away its crutches—and give the Hill lines the race of their life.

For the S. P. can do it,—as has been demonstrated so well in Southern California. No more breadless dining cars, no more ante-bellum equipment, no more crippled ferry-boats, and late trains for a month.

That 106 mile differential will mean something if the Hill hook-up is allowed. But the dear old S. P. can't admit it—not now.

BOXING ISN'T FOOTBALL

THERE was one feature of the recent Ashland-Medford football game, which surprised us very much, and has not received the notice we think it deserved.

That was the spectacle of a rather diminutive Medford player industriously punning an Ashland player in midfield, while the two teams were scrambling for the ball forty yards away.

Just what the local player's grievance was we don't know, but that he believed he had one was evidenced by the frank and businesslike manner in which he attempted to register his righteous indignation.

No one was hurt in the melee, but Medford was penalized half the distance to its goal, which was entirely proper, and the penalty led to a touchdown if we remember rightly, which was also as it should be.

THE surprising feature was not that the local player apparently knew so little about the rules, but that he knew so little about playing football.

There was a time when slugging was pretty general in football, but that time has long since passed, not so much because it isn't "nice," as because it ISN'T football.

The prime essential in football success today is team play,—perfect co-ordination, eleven individuals working as one, a perfect machine clicking toward a common end.

That is why the first thing a young man with football aspirations must learn is self control, subordination of his personal interests to the interests of the team. Not on a sentimental basis at all, but on the entirely practical basis of doing everything to win the game.

THE members of the Medford football squad have been told this of course. But that all of them haven't learned it was shown by the somewhat comical incident above mentioned.

And that brings us back to the point made following the Ashland victory. Medford has the spirit and the raw material. But it lacks what only time can give, training, discipline,—what might be termed "football brains."

With two of the three essentials present, the third, we are sure, will be quickly supplied. That is why we don't believe there will be any assault and battery interludes staged in mid-field during the Thanksgiving Day game.

Alas! If the longest purse can hire the best athletes, the smaller college won't be able to offer anything but an education.

Personal Health Service

By WILLIAM BRADY, M. D.

Aligned 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.

HOW TO LIVE LONGER AND BETTER.

In the August number of the Bulletin of the New York City health department a writer presents tables showing the chief causes of death in all age groups and concludes that the time has come when a considerable reduction in the death rate can be effected by public health control measures. This is frank and true.



The Bulletin writer observes that in diphtheria, scarlet fever and childhood typhoid fever, it is anomalous to find a public health authority acknowledging diphtheria a childhood casualty, in tuberculosis, certain puerperal cases, and the venereal diseases, it is still possible that administrative measures may be applied with success.

What Old Elbert Said? You are not alone in thinking that Emerson composed that little paragraph about the world bearing a path to the door of the chap who invents a better mousetrap than his neighbor.

Why Sweden the Honey? Please tell me what essentials for the body are contained in honey, whole wheat and milk? (Mrs. F. A.)

Answer—Whole wheat of course contains bran, so there is no point in mentioning bran if you are eating the whole wheat. Whole wheat and fresh raw milk would as nearly constitute adequate food for man as any two foods I can think of.

There are just two kind—those who think it silly to go back-scheduled, and those who have hair.

Magie words used to effect a prompt exit: "Now that I've received, I'll ease up and live on my reputation."

No wonder the Russians abolished Christmas. Right after the war they found out that Santa Claus was just Uncle Sam.

Yet how quickly racketeers would come to grief in a town where proud manhood is valued above dollars.

Americanism: Feeling very clever and efficient because we rush around to get an early start to avoid the crowd that starts early to avoid the crowd.

Blessed are the poor. They never make the mistake of feeling superior to laws that can land them in jail.

Saving mankind is much like saving money. When you save a dollar, the same daily effort is required to keep it saved.

One scientist says people too much alike can't get along, and another says a man instinctively chooses a wife like his mother.

The offer of a bounty resulted in the killing of over 65,000 eagles in Alaska. Does that suggest anything to the troubled citizens of Chicago?

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

Evolution of Yesterday's Puzzle. ACROSS: 1. Son of Adam... 2. Yronous... 3. State in Brazil... 4. Pale brown... 5. In abut... 6. Kind of cheese... 7. Noun's vessel... 8. Variety of chalcid... 9. Extra part... 10. Parts of the body... 11. Title of respect... 12. Difficultly... 13. Eyes: Scot... 14. Four sizes of apartment houses... 15. Complete col... 16. Endorseme... 17. Artificial respiration passes... 18. Equally... 19. The bitter... 20. Yards... 21. Roman bronze... 22. Pine fresh... 23. Water abbr... 24. Robbed... 25. Older... 26. Gentle mur... 27. Small round... 28. Bark... 29. Harren... 30. Literary frs... 31. Meaning... 32. Freshy fruit... 33. Street of... 34. Glass... 35. Salt... 36. Sinec Scot... 37. DOWN: 1. Monkey... 2. Naughty... 3. Agas... 4. Leaves for... 5. Takes into... 6. Custody again... 7. 100 square rods... 8. Veary

Grid for the crossword puzzle with numbers 1-37 indicating starting positions for words.

Government does some good. Before it took a hand, you got 12 broadening stations at once instead of a mere six.

Florida was first to think of making a birth in an airplane. And there's nothing California can do about it unless she can follow suit with twins.

Correct this sentence: "John wants to build a fine house, nice that we're rich," said she, "but I can't give up our humble little Bangalow."

Not long ago Wall Street's trouble was foolish over confidence. Today the trouble is foolish fear. Those that did not know why prices went up, don't know now why they go down.

They can go down for a very simple reason, EVERYBODY TRYING TO SELL AT ONCE.

Twenty-five million automobiles are running in America. If every owner tried to sell his automobile at the same time, you could buy tin cars for \$10 apiece, and less.

Those that gambled and have got to sell MUST sell. That's all of that.

Those that have bought good securities and sell them now for foolish fear, will regret it.

Many stocks, selling far below their intrinsic values, will be anywhere from \$10 to \$100 a share higher when this fear passes.

Senator Borah, who carries the farmer in his arms lovingly, like the father of the child in the "Earl King," will find that you can't separate farmers and stocks.

Wheat, cotton, corn drop in spite of loving care and the \$100,000,000 govern-

Do You Remember?

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of the Mail Tribune) Nov. 16, 1919 London: Fussfoot Johnson has eye put out when attacked by students during prohibition speech.

Big Trigon oil meeting held at chamber of commerce addressed by Mayor Gates and P. J. Neff.

U. S. Senate passes reservations to peace treaty over protest of President Wilson.

Carter Glass named senator from Virginia upon death of Senator Martin.

Moscow: Genl. Denikine and a white army defeated by bolshevik forces.

Domin: Major Henry L. Higginson founder of Boston Symphony dies.

Princeton defeats Yale 13 to 9. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of the Mail Tribune) November 15, 1909.

Francis J. Heney has been re-appointed assistant attorney general in Oregon to prosecute land fraud cases.

John F. Stevens again visits Medford to look over P. & E. construction.

Spokane ambo show opens when President Taft touches a button.

Price of imported wines and whiskey raised in Medford because of new tariff.

Blaine Klum secures patent for an advertising hat rack.

SUNDOWN STORIES

THE TAXI RIDE By Mary Graham Bomer. "It's the quickest way," the Little Black Clock said.

"Particularly," he added, "if one wants to go to some place in a hurry."

They were seated in the airplane. The pilot was going up now.

"They have taxis for one passenger, too," the Little Black Clock said.

"But, of course, such a taxi would not do for us—there are three of us."

How quickly the air taxi traveled! Now and again they bumped quite badly over the air bumps.

"They're a bit careless sometimes, these taxi drivers," the Little Black Clock said.

Just as the driver was pulling down his meter along came some other people.

They didn't seem to notice John or Peggy or the Little Black Clock. Their one idea seemed to be to get the taxi.

"You're not asked, are you?" one of the people asked the taxi driver.

"Not now," he answered, "though I have to go for a call several hundred miles away in a couple of hours."

"That's all right. We only have to go to the next town," the person answered. In they got and the air taxi was soon up in the air with them.

"What a funny world it's becoming," Peggy said.

"Think so?" questioned the Little Black Clock.

"Tomorrow—'Upside Down.'" ment fund. That reflects the drop in stocks.

Senator Borah suggests that congress should "investigate the exchange and give the people the real facts."

If the senator would do that and give Wall Street the real facts, the exchange would be much obliged to him. Nobody is half as much puzzled as that poor exchange at this moment.

MUTT AND JEFF—Smudge College Elects Its 1930 Leaders

Comic strip showing a group of students at a meeting. One student says: 'RAH, RAH, RAH! WE WANT MUTT! WE WANT MUTT!!'. Another says: 'AH, THE TEAM! THEY HAVE BEEN ELECTING OFFICERS FOR 1930. THEY MUST HAVE ELECTED ME CAPTAIN!'. A third says: 'BOYS, I DID MY BEST FOR OLD SMUDGE COLLEGE! I ACCEPT THE NOMINATION!'. A fourth says: 'HOORAY, THAT'S GOOD! WE ELECTED YOU TACKLING DUMMY!'.

By BUD FISHER