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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry

The pair of Portland lawyers whose personal grievances are being aired at Salem, and on the front pages, charge two members of the supreme court with taking a drink, and, maybe, if the two lawyers had a couple of swigs themselves, it would tone down their ornerryness and cause them to shake hands and not be mad at each other for another 17 years.

"Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod shall drive it far from him"—(Proverbs 22:15). The shift gear rod, in all likelihood.

The Bend Bulletin reports that the drinking jury left enough in the jug for a re-trial of the case.

OTHERWISE SHE'S OK
(Press Dispatch)

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 5.—(AP) Declaring Mrs. Blank was sullen, mean, irritable, morbid, disagreeable, nasty, gruesome, cool, bitter, lusting, jealous, heckling, picayunish, loathsome, insulting, brazen, miserly, gluttonish, temperamental, selfish, contemptuous, inattentive, uncivil and inconsiderate, Mr. Blank today sued her for divorce.

The dry spell has ended without a 6th st. speedist being "bewildered by the rain," while cutting corners and driving recklessly.

There have been several murders in the state of late. The puller of the trigger had no delusions that what he was shooting at was a wild four-legged creature. The sad events are attributed to everything but the handiness of firearms.

The naive argument is advanced by the Klamath Falls Herald, that if James C. Cooke of Portland, serving seven years in the Salem jailhouse, for careless handling of other people's money, had been able to run loose until the recent Wall St. collapse, there would be no losers, and Jim would be as chipper, financially and personally, as of yore. It is indeed unfortunate that Mr. Cooke ran out of luck and got caught, simultaneously. Getting caught is the chief drawback to criminal activity. The present habitation of Mr. Cooke is full of gents who failed to time themselves properly in the getaway.

IRATE CITIZEN ALLOWS
(Willows, Cal., Journal)

In the first instance, the Willows police department was standing inside the theater while the hold-up was being staged, and in the latter instance the police department was "meeting the train."

The writer contends and maintains that he had no right to be inside of any theater at any time, as the taxpayers are not paying its police for any personal entertainment for themselves while on duty. Also the taxpayers and citizens of Willows are of the opinion that the Southern Pacific trains are able to make a proper stop at Willows and can depart on schedule time without the assistance of any of our police department.

"One of the Jorgenson boys is seen every afternoon, with his new coupe parked on the road in front of the schoolhouse"—(Smith River News.) Just giving the male teacher a friendly lift when the day's work is done.

The alumni is going to probe deep to "determine the lack in the University of Oregon football team." The main lack seems to have been the lack of touchdowns. It was a major lack, as a matter of fact. Another lack was the lack of scoring plays. Scoring plays are as vital to a football team as forceps to a dentist. Another defect was the absence of a punter who was "sure-fire" in a pinch, and could be depended upon to punt down the field, instead of straight up. Lastly, the real lack is a deep secret, that will not be mentioned, as it has another year to go on its contract.

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—Seventy-five tons of rock, loosened by rain, slid down on the Columbia River highway near here and caused numerous minor automobile acci-

THE MANNIX-JOSEPH MESS

TOO bad the people of Oregon couldn't decide this Mannix-Joseph disbarment case. For they would promptly vote to disbar both attorneys and allow the state to devote its attention to more important and constructive affairs.

There are too many lawyers anyway. The profession is woefully overcrowded. The trouble-making proclivities of both Joseph and Mannix are well known, and their retirement from the legal field would benefit both the profession and the state.

Moreover, this will probably be the ultimate outcome anyway. If one attorney is disbarred, the other, no doubt, will be. Either this will be the net result, or both will escape expulsion, and the learned counsel and eminent judges will have only a mess of noise and fury for their time and pains.

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ACCORDING to the latest ruling, no sort of evidence is going to be barred from the hearing. The highly developed mud-slinging abilities of the two defendants are going to be given unrestricted freedom, and there won't be an unsmeared legal or judicial reputation in the state, before the trial is concluded.

If this would clear up and clean up the bench and profession, no one would complain. But no such result is likely. Only a terrific odor will be aroused, public confidence in the bar and judiciary of the state shaken, with no desirable or constructive benefits attained.

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FAR better for all concerned, if public opinion could be made effective, and the two defendants disbarred at the outset. Washing dirty linen in public is foolish enough for private individuals, but for such important factors in the body politic as the legal profession and the bench, such a proceeding may result in real public harm.

However, apparently nothing can be done about it. The fat is in the fire, and the long suffering people of Oregon will have to make the best of it.

MUD-SLINGING, UNCONFINED

THE sort of evidence that is going to be introduced at this trial is clearly shown by the testimony of Attorney Joseph's first defense witness,—Elvin C. Condit of Portland.

Mr. Condit avers he gave Chief Justice McBride a drink of whiskey, whereupon the latter promised him that he would win his case before the state supreme court.

If a statement a portion of which is false, can be regarded as entirely so, then we don't believe this testimony will have much weight with the court.

For Chief Justice McBride's record is too clear, and his character to well known, for any person with the slightest knowledge of either, to believe that he ever made such a promise to Mr. Condit or anyone else.

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THE dean of the Oregon bench Chief Justice McBride is not only generally beloved, but he has, and has always had, not only the warm affection but the deep respect of the bar of this state. Personal charm might account for the first, but only an incorruptible and unwavering integrity of character could, after so many years, account for the second.

In fact, his most astounding characteristic has always been admitted to be his unqualified fairness, to friend or foe, crony or stranger, alike. Whatever he may have said or done off the bench, on it, he has invariably hewn straight to the line of impartial justice, letting the chips fall where they may.

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YET if this statement is true, not only is the Chief Justice a favor-peddling judge, but a contemptibly crooked one. And the sad part of it is that, regardless of what his friends may say, or what the truth may be, hundreds of people who get their only information from the press reports, will half—or entirely—believe it.

Too bad, too bad. But Justice McBride's reputation is not the only one that will suffer. Long before the final curtain, Salem is going to need more than one municipal incinerator, before it can return to its accustomed atmosphere of self-righteousness and purity.

Synonymous: Words having the same meaning, like "cheerful loser" and "cheerful liar."

There's one good thing about a crazy bull market. While it lasts it doesn't require any bank cashiers to grow whiskers.

Personally we would rather like to see Pennsylvania represented in the Senate by a man named Grundy.

There's room for just one more war book. No one has ever told the story from the angle of the Y. M. C. A. worker selling chocolate bars.

"The country is fundamentally sound," says Secretary Mellon. No doubt. The trouble is the talkie magnates seem to be the only Big Business men who act as if they believed it.

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.

BEWARE THE BEAR MOVEMENT ON IODIN

Iodin is the modern way to spell iodine. If you care for my medicine you must spell it my way.

In these r-months everybody should get a reasonable amount of iodin in his food, but a good many people do not trouble to provide sea food in the family dietary, and so it is necessary for us health promoters to issue repeated warnings of the danger of an iodin shortage. Besides, the woods are full of born surgeons nowadays, and some of these half-baked young surgeons devote a large share of their spare time to drumming up trade by traipsing about the country warning folks off their iodin. Now and then I hear of people who actually quit using iodized salt and return to plain salt because some ambitious operator has expressed the fear that so much iodin may bring on "toxic" goiter or hyperthyroidism. To such an "authority" it doesn't signify that one gets more iodin in a can of salmon than in a pound of iodized salt. The young ninnyhammer has conceived the theory that iodin is rather a dangerous thing and he goes right on cautioning anybody who takes him seriously, and there are always people who take such a doctor seriously if he appends the name of some clinic, association, institute, college or corporation to his degree.

Appertaining to the effect of iodin on goiter, I quote from a contribution by a surgeon to one of the leading medical journals:

"Patients with secondary hyperthyroidism of this kind (that is, developing in adenomatous goiter) formerly were operated upon with a mortality rate ranging from 3 per cent to 8 per cent. Today, however, iodin medication, rest in bed, and carefully graded surgery have united to lower this mortality very materially."

There you have the studied view of a surgeon, who believes in operating on goiter cases early, that the administration of iodin in one form or another tends to lessen the "toxic" effects of hyperthyroidism or over secretion of the thyroid gland. And yet not a few tyros and "clinic" attaches still try to make the laity think it is dangerous to take an iodin ration for the prevention of goiter or other purpose; some of the half-baked born surgeons even inveigh against the use of iodized salt on that ground.

Note that this surgeon I quote couples rest in bed with the administration of iodin in the preparation of the exophthalmic or "toxic" goiter patient for operation. I suspect the rest in bed, together with other measures of anti-dissociation, as advocated by Dr. George W. Crile, who has perhaps done more than any other modern benefactor to rob surgery of its terrors, is responsible for the improvement in the patient's condition, rather than the mere administration of iodin. Just such a regime of medical care will, in fact, suffice in many cases of exophthalmic, "toxic" goiter or hyperthyroidism; yes, in some cases that are too eagerly operated upon by the born surgeons that infest this country today. By that term "born surgeon" I mean any M. D. who has the temerity — unfortunately our comical law gives any M. D. with a license the right—to hold himself out as a surgeon before he has acquired the experience and judgment that a doctor can acquire only in 10 years of general medical practice.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Plaster in Eye.

My husband is a plasterer. For Mrs. H. F. E.'s benefit let me tell about his remedy. Whenever he gets a splash of plaster in his eye he immediately washes the eye with ordinary sugar water, made as thick as a syrup. Plain water is very bad, but this sugar water seems to relieve the irritation at once, just a few drops in the eye. —Mrs. H. S.

Answer.—Thank you. It sounds quite sensible. Sometimes lime or plaster burns are very severe and require immediate treatment by the eye surgeon. As a rule it is advisable to remove all the lime, plaster or alkali from the eye by washing it freely with warm water. Perhaps the sugar water is better if it is at hand.

A Certain Kind of Cri.

I have tried calcium lactate for cri and got immediate relief. Thank you for this suggestion. You say a person does not suffer from overwork, or does not overwork. I think you are right, as one will fall asleep in any position if he has worked too much. Do you recommend x-ray treatment in whooping cough? We are having our boy so treated and it seems to give much benefit.—S. G.

Answer.—I do not suggest calcium lactate for cri. But perhaps it may be helpful in certain cases of hyperesthetic rhinitis or coryza due to allergy (protein sensitization). X-ray treatment of the midriff region seems to moderate and shorten the course of whooping cough.

How to Contract Tuberculosis.

I have a man boarding with me who has had T. B. several years ago, but claims he has treated himself and got rid of it. He coughs a good deal at night. We have two little children and I am afraid to have them go near him.—Mrs. S. E.

Answer.—If the man had tuberculosis years ago he probably has it now, and if your children are permitted to come within his spray range (12 feet in coughing, 5 feet in conversation) they are pretty certain to contract the disease. People with tuberculosis who "treat themselves" seldom recover.

Hernia.

Can a right femoral hernia be cured by wearing an appliance or support for a year or two?—Mrs. S. E. F.

Answer.—Hernia, breech, rupture is never curable by any other than surgical treatment. Very rarely a small hernia may heal spontaneously after months of such support, but this is too remote a chance to count on.

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Quill Points

A fourth-rate author is one who eats regularly now instead of getting famous after he is dead.

You may break, you may shatter stock marts if you will, but folks will keep up with the Joneses still.

The meanest hypocrite is the man who sits by an enemy at a football game so he can smash his hat in safety.

Critics who think self-government doesn't work should observe the crowd standing in line at a ticket office.

The modesty of the new skirts is much like the success of Prohibition. It all depends on where you measure.

Blessed are the peacemakers. And with that start you can guess what becomes of orators.

Tariff needs, in brief: Give my section the right to gouge your section.

Americanism: A firm belief in your inalienable right to feel equal to your superiors and to snub your equals who feel the same way.

Christian nations are the ones that send missionaries to save the undeveloped people they have robbed.

Reporters sent to jail for refusing to talk would get no sympathy either, if it was their theft of public property they refused to talk about.

Another way to keep from growing old is to believe the man who says he wants an honest criticism.

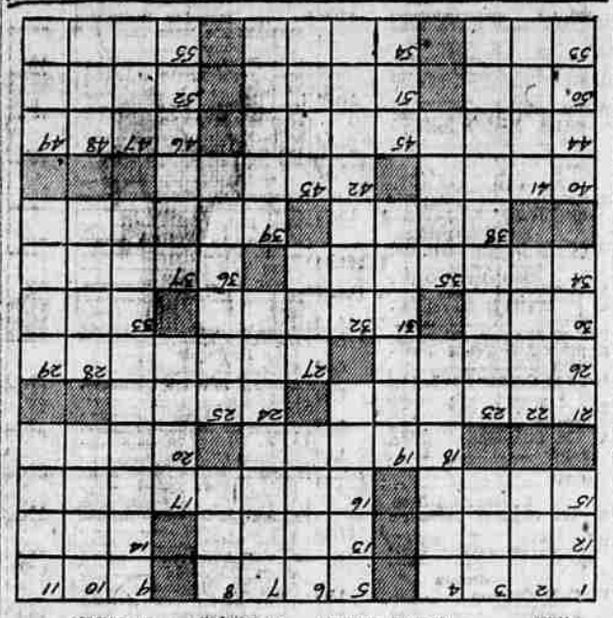
Banks are those things that will lend you a million to buy bubbles and won't let you have a dime to buy gold dollars that are selling at a nickel each.

Still, the "criminal element" would include almost everybody if congress should pass every law suggested by anybody.

It's a good idea to make food ships immune in war, but if would seem more humane if suggested by some nation that doesn't export a surplus.

Correct this sentence: "It makes me so happy," said the wife, "to have you spend money on your parents and sisters."

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Aid
6. Movement of the sea
9. Singing voice
12. Garden tools
14. Plowed
15. Region
16. Torch
18. Trellises
19. Tenth
20. Collections of facts
21. Sow again
23. Pulling motor
24. Quill in pen-holder
26. Exists
27. Exists to the nonclear
29. Feminine name
30. Utensil
31. Points to the north
32. Collections of facts
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DOWN

1. Abandons
2. Spatulate ending
3. Steeds of a pure breed of ox
4. Old spelling of rajah
5. One who hoots at a bird
6. Insects
7. Old Italian coin
8. Writhes: Mal. 3:23
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Brisbane's Today

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eling him and cutting his body into four pieces. Some "educated" Hatian had probably read that "drawing and quartering" was the punishment for traitors.

The French locked up Toussaint L'Overture, who was the best man who ever ruled Haiti.

After that Jean Jacques Bessallines, colored, became governor, promptly massacreing all the whites and crowning himself emperor. He was assassinated, because he was a little too tyrannical even for Haiti.

Next Henry Christophe established himself as "King Henry the First" and built his big castle and fort still worth seeing, on top of a high mountain.

Haiti is a member of the League of Nations, if you please.

When the United States went in to help, in 1915, everything in the black republic was going to decay. Irrigation projects, started under white rule, were abandoned, the island's production and foreign trade were dwindling, the courts were comically corrupt, education had stopped, except for work done by French Catholic priests. Poverty and disease made things worse.

If the League of Nations believes that that situation can be met with kind words, let it go over and experiment.

President Hoover doubtless will be glad to give the league every opportunity, if it will take the responsibility and not disturb the Monroe Doctrine.

Do you drink? Probably not, but if you ever should, Dr. Gettler, official toxitologist, which means poison expert, of New York City, says you must be thoroughly oxidized, which means that you must get into your system much oxygen.

With little oxygen, a little alcohol intoxicates you. With a great deal of oxygen you can stand a great deal of alcohol—only you should never do that.

A man riding to hounds from sunrise to sunset can drink two magnums, about four quarts, of strong ale and not feel it.

A man shut up in an office with little oxygen in his lungs, and blood, becomes heavy and mentally worthless after one pint of Guinnesses' stout.

The ideal, of course, is to drink plenty of water and breathe plenty of fresh air, leaving alcohol alone, especially in a bootleg country.

The country, apparently, is still doing business. "Big Steel," Wall Street's name for the United States Steel Corporation, shows unfilled orders for steel tonnage decreased by 38,783 tons last month.

The company has a total of unfilled orders amounting to 4,125,783 tons, which does not look much like a "panic."

"As a sheep before her shearers is dumb." That's from the Bible. "As a lamb after its shearing is dumb" may soon be the news in Wall Street. It depends on the rapidity with which the lambs go back for another shearing.

They always do go back, which is what makes brokers' seats worth $500,000 apiece, and will some day make them worth $1,000,000 apiece.

There was an important Mexican gthering in New York yesterday. The United States was glad to welcome that gathering in the big city where high finance has its capital.

There was Pasqual Ortiz Rubio, recently elected president of Mexico.

Arriving today on the steamship Bremen, after a vacation in Europe, will be General Calles, former president of the Mexican republic.

Fifty important Mexican officials were established in the Hotel Pennsylvania.

And, to make the party complete, Dwight W. Morrow, United States ambassador to Mexico, good friend of Calles and Ortiz Rubio, also arrived in New York. Mr. Morrow later visited and held a brief conference with President-elect Rubio.

Millions of Mexicans work in the United States.

The United States needs the friendship of Mexico. Mexico needs the financial power of this country, and, to some extent, its industrial leadership, subject to Mexican control.

New York's Mexican gathering is a good omen.

Do You Remember?

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
(From files of the Mail Tribune.)
December 11, 1919

Fuel Administrator H. A. Garfield resigns position, declaring settlement of coal strike was surrender of government. Secretary Tumulty, speaking for President Wilson, says resignation will be accepted.

With city water intake frozen all Medford citizens ordered to use water sparingly.

Paris.—Georges Carpentier, victor over Beckett, British champion, challenges Jack Dempsey for championship of the world.

Willamette river frozen over for third time in history of state.

Mercury in Medford drops to half a degree below zero.

Delayed by snows in Siskiyous "She Walked in Her Sleep" company did not start to perform last night at Page theatre until midnight.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
(From files of the Mail Tribune.)
December 11, 1909

Greater Medford club decides to hold dance at Angle opera house for benefit of public library.

Horse belonging to the Medford Brewing company falls in abandoned well and is rescued by fire department after three hours' work.

Emil Britt, weather observer at Jacksonville, reports heaviest rainfall of year, .87 inch in 24 hours.

Jackson County Press association endorses Mail Tribune's proposal to create special state of Siskiyou.

I. J. Phipps sells 10 acres to John Brown for $22,000, and Fred Cummings buys large tract of desert land from W. H. Gore for $71,000.

JACKSONVILLE GIRLS WIN FROM GOLD HILL

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., Dec. 11.—(Special.) Both high school basketball teams motored to Gold Hill Friday evening to play the Gold Hill teams.

Jacksonville girls won by 16 to 32.

Gold Hill boys winning, score 16 to 42.

MUTT AND JEFF—Mutt Wires Shakespeare for Sound

By BUD FISHER