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Ye Smudge Pot

(By Arthur Perry)

When the Revolution comes, as it will, according to the dour and doleful, a special election will be ordered to decide by the ballot whether to pull the neck of the woods Valley Forge, with its headquarters of the general in Tom Merriam's blacksmith shop, or after a Russian village that is easily sneezed. There will be no falling in the Volga, for the duration of the rebellion.

The Democratic nominee for governor, and Mrs. Clam are old friends, and roommates during happy college days. (Pine Valley Notes.) If your past has ever been in the shade, they'll tell about it in the campaign.

One vote was cast for Edward W. Carleton, of the Redskinned Orchard, for the legislature. Your corr. has been charged with casting this vote. We did not. Therefore, Edward voted for himself, we anticipate.

The wife will be remembered as the "Gay Mrs. Crenshaw," who paraded the downtown streets in gowns that heeled a foot of touching ground.—(40 Years Ago Col., Kansas City Times.) When limbs were legs, and imagination had work to do.

Press dispatches tell of a no-account, lowdown millionaire aged 55, who induced a tender girl of 29 to stick her neck into a ponif rupa worth \$50,000, forced her to enter gay cafes, and when she was not looking, slyly embezzled \$1000, bills down her sock and otherwise arranged her with his wealth and artifices. This is the most complete case of feminine unconsciousness in a long time, and the heart of the world should hurry up and start bleeding for the victim, in her hour of humiliation. She alleges she lost her "self-respect," the while retaining the pearls and the spondulices, as she should. This is the usual conference when a gent pats his pocketbook against a fast-thinking lady, and neither should scream at the finish.

The Self-Hating Tooters of Their Own Horns will hold a session on Friday, and the star hater will lift himself over a four-foot table, by his suspenders. He will give an exhibition of hating himself. Among his minor accomplishments is the placing of salt in the sea, and being the first to discover the presence of salt in the sea.

The Imperial Modest Violet will also be present, accompanied by his Mossy Stone, behind which he will shrink, like a shirt in a laundry. He is the shy soul who nalled bell down when it tried to break loose, and cut the path of his right hand on the spike-tail of Satan, in doing this service for mankind.

SAFETY RAZORS... The term "safety razor" is some times misinterpreted to mean a razor which does not draw blood. But, of course, that is wrong. "Safety" applies only to its use against the opponent, not as regards self-inflicted wounds except in so far as such vital portions of the body as the aorta or the jugular vein are involved. While the safety razor is designed to prevent the deep and deadly thrust, it may, and often does, tap the surface lines.

Fortunately, nature has its remedy for stopping the flow of blood by means of the clot. But, though the clot is effective, it usually is inarticulate. It has no reserve. It likes to make itself apparent. The problem of the shaver, therefore, is, so to speak, to domesticate the clot, to transform it from something primitive and exotic to something delicate and almost imperceptible. The problem is increased by the presence of the "safety" element, as the person who cuts himself with a safety razor is invariably in a hurry to get somewhere and already is late.

(Baltimore Sun.)

LONG TERM IN PRISON FOR OAKLAND GRAFTER

OAKLAND, Cal., May 21.—(AP)—William H. Baker, former Oakland city commissioner, today was sentenced to San Quentin penitentiary for one to 14 years. He had been convicted of criminal conspiracy in connection with graft in street paving.

GOOD WORK

THOSE who saw the Russell store fire last night will agree, that confining the flames to that building alone, was a great tribute to the efficiency of Medford's fire department and its volunteers.

The blaze had gained tremendous headway before it was discovered. The inflammable nature of the material, added to the several explosions, endangered buildings some distance away—in fact, the entire downtown business section.

Yet the flames were so well controlled that stores only separated by the thickness of a wall were not seriously damaged. Contrary to sensational reports, Fire Chief Elliott informs us that the loss will be nearer \$50,000 than \$250,000. There's a saving of \$200,000. Not a bad one night's dividend on Medford's investment in a good fire department.

TALKING WET AND VOTING DRY

A FEW weeks ago we called attention to the fact that the politicians are not the only ones who drink wet and vote dry. The people of this country have the same habit.

No one doubts that a vast majority of the American people do not observe the Prohibition law, and the Literary Digest poll, which closed today, shows that a majority do not believe in its strict enforcement.

And yet in every election, thus far, the people have voted dry. Oregon, it may be recalled, held a primary last Friday. On the Republican ticket L. B. Sandblast ran for Congress on a wet ticket, opposed to F. F. Korrell on a dry one. Korrell defeated Sandblast over two to one.

On the Democratic ticket for Governor, A. C. Hough of Grants Pass was the only wet. He was swamped, being defeated by Bailey of Lane County, nearly five to one, and by his three dry opponents by over ten to one.

Yet the Digest poll in Oregon shows a vote of 20,000 for strict enforcement, and 34,000 against it.

EVEN more striking are the figures from yesterday's primary in the overwhelmingly wet state of Pennsylvania. Thomas Phillips, former congressman and a very capable young man, uncompromisingly espoused the wet cause and toured the state for Prohibition repeal.

At the present time he is being beaten by his two dry opponents, Pinchot and Brown, over five to one. His team mate, Bohlen, candidate for the Senate, is being beaten by Davis and Grundy, who refused to sanction repeal, over four to one. And in the Digest, Pennsylvania votes 379,000 to 147,000 against strict enforcement!

WHAT is the answer? That the Digest poll is entirely wrong, that while for a decade it has accurately reflected political opinion, during presidential years; it has not only failed to do so this year, but has completely MIS represented it?

We think not. The answer is, in our opinion, that while the Dry minority votes dry in every election; the Wet minority, added to the Wet-Moist majority, does NOT vote wet.

And until it does, the present situation will continue, with the office holders thinking one way and voting another; and the people of the country doing the same thing.

IS there any way out of such an illogical and hypocritical mess? As long as Prohibition psychology remains as it is, we can see only one, namely, to secure what Elton Watkins, Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator in this state, proposes, a NATIONAL REFERENDUM ON PROHIBITION.

In that way, and that way only, can any real progress toward a solution of this perplexing problem be made.

WE DID!

"WE may be an exception to the rule, however. Perhaps the way to get votes in this land of the free and home of the brave, is to assume the dear people have the mentalities of little children—promise them airplanes and automobiles, shove a sweet meat between their tiny lips, and pat them on the head. Presto! The ballot counters will do the rest!

Mebbe so. Then again—mebbe not. We will undoubtedly know more about it next Friday night."—Mail-Tribune, May 11th.

It is interesting to note the Soviet government represents the rule of the majority. Will the one newspaper in Moscow Brother Stalin allows to publish its honest opinions, please copy!

The dear old S. P. appears about as slow in granting grade crossings as it does in beating the Tim Lizzie record to San Francisco.

As yet the inevitable answer to our query, "Are Mail-Tribune editorials too wide?" has not been received. You guessed it. "No, they are too narrow!"

Quill Points

Philanthropist: One who spends 40 years multiplying and 10 years dividing.

Any golfer can learn to address the ball, but the art of enjoying it is born in a genius who gets results by addressing the bones.

Whether it will be seashore or mountains depends on dad's pocketbook and daughter's shape.

Lincoln's theory that Heaven loves the common people, else they wouldn't be so numerous, sounds all right until you think of boot-leggers.



A woman isn't so foolish. She may spend \$25 for a 75-cent hat, but she doesn't pay a quarter every day to get it back.

Another reason why prohibition can't be enforced in some places is that officeholders look forward to a second term.

Brisbane says there are very few atheists in the west. It is equally true that very few Hebrew policemen accept bribes.

No wonder New York has so much money. Any good engraver can make money in a district where federal laws don't apply.

Americanism: Buying expensive reference books on the installment plan; guessing the meaning of a word because you are too lazy to look it up.

A hick town is a place where Bill's widow insists on a swell funeral because those stuck-up Smiths had one when Henry died.

You've seen these soft drink coolers that push out a cold bottle when another is pushed in? The government paroles 15 a day in the same manner.

Dry rot: The decay of wood caused by fungi. Also a type of propaganda very offensive to liquor-heads.



The housewife walks from three to eight miles a day, but what of it? She doesn't have to yell "fore" at intervals.

We know now why he is called the "odd-job man." That's the kind of job he made of trimming our hedge.

The only thing you can say about the situation in India is that it may furnish a job for England's unemployed.

Gandhi should know better than to turn to salt as a means of winning freedom. Look how it worked in the case of Lot's wife.

Correct this sentence: "Environment does it," said the critic, "and modern kids would be just as they are if their parents were the 1850 kind."

Poppy Thoughts

(Contributed) By 1924 it was seen that the poppy program lent itself more naturally to the worth of women than of men and the American Legion gave to the Auxiliary complete charge of the national program. This is a heavy responsibility. Each year the number of poppies sold has increased. The earnings of the disabled veterans making the poppies has grown to a large figure.

"Old men, Hair of gray, Young men, Strapped the prey, Lay all day A-bed, Making poppies gay, Crimson red."

SALEM LAD DISAPPEARS WHILE EN ROUTE SCHOOL

SALEM, Ore., May 21.—(AP)—Lowell Cottow, 12, is missing from his home here. His parents report that he started to school as usual Tuesday morning and hasn't been seen since.

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. (Using 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 The Mail Tribune.)

THE PHYSIOLOGY OF REST TAKE OFF YOUR CORSET AND RELAX

It is sad to contemplate the way the sexes are approaching neutrality. Men are becoming effeminate in many ways and women are apparently cultivating masculinity.

Today probably there are more men and fewer women wearing corsets than ever before; most of the men who wear them do so not so much for vanity as for health; and most of the women who have discarded them have done so not for health but for style. Through some slip in co-operation and trade solidarity the edict went forth a few years back that milady must have a corsetless silhouette, and by the time the staymakers had got wind of it and started a propaganda to counteract it, numbers of the girls, God bless 'em, had discovered that they not only looked well but felt fine without any, and it is going to take a lot of psychology to sell these girls any more harness.

It is not your corset proper, if corsets may be deemed proper, that I would have you slip off in order that you may relax. It is the neuromuscular stays all of us wear more or less, and some of us wear even when we go to bed. If you want to see how a person behaves without his neuromuscular stays on you must either anesthetize him with ether or else observe him when he is sleeping naturally. You'll find he breathes differently when his n.-m. stays are removed. He breathes almost entirely with his diaphragm. His chest is for the nonce in abeyance, unobtrusively, out of the picture. His belly, freed of restraint, assumes a commanding importance. Be sure you understand what the belly is; it is the front wall of the abdomen. Thanks to the long years of educational activity of physical culture merchants and dignified silence on the part of medical and health authorities, the great American public has come to believe that a bulging chest is an index of physical development, that a retracted belly or at least a flat belly is a feature of perfect development and that one should breathe largely with the upper chest and have as great a chest expansion as possible. All of these notions are seriously wrong. It is a little late now for physiology to say so, but not too late, I hope, to save many unfortunates from the consequences of bad breathing habits. He who reads may breathe, and in America it seems he breathes about as he reads. That's the great trouble with America, today; people live on the wrong kind of reading. There are millions in the production and distribution of that kind of reading. Wholesome reading, on the other hand, is profitable mainly to the consumer, so it doesn't get much of a break in Yankee-land.

Here are a few essentials of normal breathing. Fix them in your mind, for they are good physiology and good hygiene. (1) Breathe with your belly and never mind your chest. (2) Deep breathing in itself is of no value; only such as occurs automatically with exercise is worth while. (3) One breathes best when asleep or under "anesthesia"; this suggests the unwisdom of amateur tinkering with one's breathing.

MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes solutions for yesterday's puzzle like PARIS SPAITS, ARECA COD RIP, REFER OPERATE, etc.

15x15 crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-15 in the top row and 1-15 in the left column.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Ice Cream Cold All the Way Down

Kindly inform me concerning the effect of ice cream on the digestion, when it is taken with a meal and when taken alone. Does the temperature of food change from the time of mastication until it enters the stomach? (D. F.)

Answer.—Ice cream stays cold until it is thawed out in the stomach. Of course it is being warmed from the moment it enters the mouth. Ever "freeze your palate" gulping it down too hurriedly? As a rule it reaches the internal body temperature only several minutes after it enters the stomach. The time varies with the speed of eating.

Auxiliary Hyperhidrosis

For the past few months I have been troubled with an excessive perspiration under the arms... (M. E. B.)

Answer.—Paint the skin there once a day with a solution of half an ounce of aluminum chloride in three ounces of water, and let dry before dressing. After four or five such applications, omit them for a few days, then apply occasionally as needed to control the trouble.

Refined Oil for the Innates

I am an inmate of the old folks home and we are dosed often with kerosene oil for colds. Is kerosene safe to take as medicine? (S. H. W.)

Answer.—No, it is rather dangerous. I recall one man who declared he had taken a tablespoonful of kerosene daily for months as a "tonic"; he had chronic nephritis ("Bright's disease"), the I do not know whether the kerosene was a factor. It is incredible that the officers of the home have medical authority for administering kerosene oil.

Brisbane's Today

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missioner, finds the prohibition problem based on the fact that "people are willing to pay \$10 for 15 cents' worth of sucker whiskey." "Sucker whiskey," says Mr. Doran, "is put in special bottles, corked with aged corks burned with the right mark, labeled with salt water-stained labels packed in salt water-stained burlap, and sold to country clubs as "just off the boat."

Great Britain has stopped immigration into Palestine and the Jewish National Council proclaims a general strike throughout the Holy Land in protest. Jews in Palestine say the "British order means "the doom of Zionism."

The idea of Great Britain is to give the present inhabitants of Palestine, Jews and Arabs, a chance to become acquainted and friendly. This is offensive to the Zionists.

Dr. Goldsmith, of the Radio Corporation of America, thinks we need a world language "to link the peoples by radio." A world language will come through "survival of the fittest." Maybe the English language, as that language dominates in movies, talks and radio.

Other nations need not be offended by the suggestion. English is a fair compromise, being made up of French, German, Saxon, Italian, Greek, Sanskrit and other languages.

Different countries, different customs, as the President and the Santo Domingo, General Trujillo, having won the presidential elections, the American receiver of Dominican customs, Mr. Pulliam, returning home, finds defeated candidates sitting on his doorstep asking protection from the successful candidate.

Imagine Governor Al Smith after the election hurrying to the doorstep of the British ambassador asking protection from President-elect Hoover.

The American Book Sellers' Association is told that price cutting in the sale of books will ruin the book trade. On the other hand, intelligent reduction in the price of books would establish the book trade. Selling ten or fifty thousand books means nothing. Books should be read by the millions. And the book business, like other great businesses, should build itself up on big sales and small profits, instead of selling for \$2.50 a book that can be made for 40 cents.

Classified advertising gets results.

Do You Remember?

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

(From files of the Mail Tribune.) May 21, 1920 Philadelphia—Grover C. Bergdoll, wealthy slacker, escapes from prison.

J. H. Fuller elected secretary of Ashland chamber of commerce.

Prof. Vining to deliver commencement address to Medford high graduates.

Gus the Tailor to make suits for cost, plus ten per cent.

Valley osteopaths to hold convention in Ashland.

Glasgow, Scotland votes strong for local option.

Mayor Gates issues another appeal "for all citizens to clean-up on Clean-up Day."

Twenty Years Ago Today

(From files of the Mail Tribune.) May 21, 1910 Mrs. John D. Olwell drives to Crater Lake in ten and one-half hours.

Pantages vaudeville billed for Bijou.

Basement of new building of Rogue River Electric company to be used as Katschker cafe.

Mrs. Marjorie Hamill writes article praising life in valley, and "would not exchange for existence in the East, at any price."

Thirty-five Medford sports will attend the Jeffries-Johnson fight.

Editorial pleads with subscribers "to unite and battle the house-fly."

SUNDOWN STORIES

MARY AIR BATHS By THIRY GRAHAM BOMER. John and Peggy had travelled along with the Little Black Clock and the pilot of the plane. There had been so many planes travelling along that at times they had gone very slowly.

They were on their way to one of the new Air hotels.

Some time before John and Peggy had visited an Air hotel with the Little Black Clock, and they had had a swim in the hotel's swimming pool.

But now the Little Black Clock had told them of the special baths to be had in some of these hotels, and how people found that they made them so strong and well.

They had landed now at one of these Air hotels. It was wonderful how they had made these great hotels, like giant dirigibles, remain up in the air without moving.

But now that they were at the hotel the Little Black Clock showed them where the baths could be taken.

John and Peggy were so much amused, because these wonderful baths liked so much by everyone were drawn from the clouds.

Special tubes and lines ran from the hotel out to the clouds, and they moved about so as to catch the cloud water from any passing cloud.

John took a shower bath from cloud water and after John had said it was "perfectly great" and that he felt "fine," Peggy thought she would have a cloud water shower, too.

Of course the Little Black Clock didn't bother about it, but that was another nice thing about him. Just because he didn't always care for a thing himself was no reason for keeping the children from seeing and enjoying it.

Tomorrow—"Sky Cities."

Stomach Troubles

Doctors say 90% of all sickness is due to stomach troubles, so if you suffer from gas, pains in the stomach or bowels, dizziness, and have no appetite, can't sleep and are nervous you need Tanlac. It is good pure medicine, made of roots, herbs and barks. Your druggist sells it on a money-back guarantee.

By BUD FISHER

MUTT AND JEFF—Some Double Exit Bookkeeping



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