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Ye Smudge Pot

An Astoria judge sentenced a cigarette stealing youth, who was one of his Sunday school pupils, to two years in state prison.

East Side residents can tell where the prettiest little girl lives, by the number of boys fighting in the front yard.

Aside from the opening day conviction fit, by a Marion county squire, there has been no outstanding buffoonery in the legislature so far this week.

"The rain Friday night was wet, and most of it went into the ground" (Heppner Notes.) An old rainy custom.

The people are not punting up with wanting victory for the majority of Arkansas. In the first place, they are home-folks, and in the second place, they don't get as huffy as the alleged starving Armenians.

"ORATORICAL CLUB TO FORM MALE QUARTETTY" (Del Norte "Tribune.") Double shooting the turn in the dispensation of misery.

A California Nipponese with a square-rigged beard was a visitor in our midst yesterday. The Nipponese face does not harmonize with whiskers.

The depression has finally hit the valley a resounding whack. A few of the extremely depressed are going to put a crimp in their fishing, and plant potatoes. Potatoes require considerable hoeing, which is a lost art among our agriculturists, and are always ready to pick about the time the other season opens. For this reason, "the soil hereabouts is not conducive to productivity," if you know what that means. They also bring out the potato bug, which is something else to squirt spray on when the wind is blowing. The potato has virtue. It can be cooked 253 different ways, and ferments readily of its own free will.

Komeo Roppes, the scribe, has returned to his scribbling, after 10 days of endeavoring to wear out a cold. Mr. Roppes, as is the way of humans, tucked out before his opponent.

A list of admirers, who sent Clara Bow, the film tomboy, love letters and telegrams, is threatened. It is reported there are three or four gangs on the Pacific slope who didn't get red-tinted film tomboy was quite tomboyish. From the evidence, one of the main feats of tomboyishness was to get drunk, and how! Her tomboyishness, at times, seems to have the characteristics of plain cussedness.

The sharp curves and dangerous corners have ceased causing auto crashes, for the nonce.

"Put 'em up, all in sight." The hunt for the red-tinted film tomboy was quite tomboyish. From the evidence, one of the main feats of tomboyishness was to get drunk, and how! Her tomboyishness, at times, seems to have the characteristics of plain cussedness.

He gathered up all money in sight. Then he turned, shot out the light. He tried to make his get-away. He stole a horse, a great big bay. If he had just robbed the place they wouldn't have tried to give chase.

But to steal a horse, there in the west? The posse wouldn't give him no rest. When they caught him, they strung him high. He kicked a bit; then he died. (Poetry)

"The sheriff sold a cow from under one of the Vance Brothers the first of the week" (Malheur Enterprise). This is what happens when one does not keep his cow under his nose.

It begins to look like the Pope was to be the issue again, in the 1932 presidential campaign. Both major parties have started denouncing religious intolerance.

"MILITARIES WILL DISPLAY LARGE SHAPES THIS SPRING" (Trade Journal) - One should care not.

J. HAM AND THE LEAGUE

IT WAS doubtless good riddance when Ruth Hanna McCormick was prevented from going to the Senate, where she would have been a nuisance, but the substitution of James Hamilton Lewis, who is merely ridiculous, may not be much of an improvement.

JIM HAM'S latest outburst was in a lecture in which he predicted that by the time the next Congress assembles there will be no Court and no League, for us either to join or keep out of, since both will have been denounced by their present members.

OF COURSE, the whole explosion indicates a complete fuddle, between the World Court which is one thing and the League of Nations which is another, and total ignorance of both. Since however, these have been the chief qualifications for success in recent Illinois politics, we may perhaps not hold it against J. Ham for cultivating them so successfully.

Don't be selfish. Think of the poor fellow whose business was the printing of pretty stock certificates.

Russia has demonstrated that any scheme will work if you can buy on credit and dodge debts by reorganizing.

Small Town Financier Has Money Making Scheme for Neighbors That Functions

BELVIDERE, Ill. (AP) - Albert W. Benham is president of the Second National bank here, former president of the Illinois Bankers' association and director of state finances, asked an investigation of Benham's affairs.

FIRST WOMAN TO TELEGRAPH DIES

DENVER, Jan. 16. (AP) - Miss Alice J. Dunlap, who claimed to be the first woman telegrapher in the world, died here today, aged 82.

INAUGURAL BALL RETURNED PROFIT

SALEM, Jan. 16. (AP) - The inaugural ball in honor of Governor and Mrs. Julius L. Meier Monday suited in about \$1,000 profit to the city.

MUTT AND JEFF - Home for the Holidays



MAIL TRIBUNE DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

CROSSWORD puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Clues include 'L. Unusually post', '2. Climbing vine', '3. City in Maine', etc.

A 13x13 crossword puzzle grid with numbers indicating the start of words.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.
Signal letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease, diagnosis or treatment.

THE PAINLESS ADMINISTRATION OF SPINACH

Many an unhappy kid, especially in households where the parents are followers of some specialist or faddist or Aunt Maria, who has firm convictions about nutrition, probably wonders why is spinach.

GERMANS RESENT TAX ON DRINKS; MAKE THEIR OWN

BERLIN (AP) - An "epidemic" of "Schankverzehstuejamer" has broken out in Germany.

COMRADES OF LEGION TO BURY ART ACORD

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Jan. 16. (AP) - The body of Blimland's one-time fair-haired boy, Art Acord, cowboy star who took poison in Mexico last week, was brought back here today for funeral services.

By BUD FISHER



Quill Points

The good die young, if they are resolutions.

If consumption is the whole secret of prosperity, what is the objection to arson?

Those patriots who said property as well as men should be drafted to pay for the war, seem to have got their way at last.

But the big fellows who get a refund aren't the only ones who pay too much income tax.

Evidently the new tariff placed the farmer on a par with the manufacturer. He's broke, too.

No wonder America has the most cars. It has the most wives who say "mine" instead of "ours."

Transplanting genes new vigor, so perhaps that explains why the Spanish in the new world get better results from a revolution.

If you think politicians have an easy graft, try sitting on a fence and keeping one ear to the ground.

The clothes that make you seem young are kind that were too obviously selected for that purpose.

Americanism: Whimpering because office holders aren't the ablest of men; snarling "Tool-of-the-Interests" when a business man offers to serve.

Propaganda: Any presentation of facts that gives you a pain in the neck.

One reason why pity overlooks many who deserve compassion is because those who are crippled above the ears don't limp.

It is yet too early to tell which side will triumph in Spain. The state department hasn't picked the other one to win.

Thieves fined for not paying income tax are learning their lesson. They must divide when they make a haul.

But why not jail killers for dodging taxes? The man who stole oil land was punished for being sassy.

To think that a land of go-getters would become a land of set-and-waiters!

Physician: A man who is expected to give a pill that will remove about 30 years.

Correct this sentence: "I wouldn't fine you for selling booze," said the judge, "if I drank the stuff myself."

COCAINE AS A BEVERAGE. Coffee has to pay, but milk goes free, so a popular demand has suddenly sprung up for "milk with a dash," leaving it to friend waiter, who knows who's who and what's what, to make the "dash" of coffee as strong as he dares.

CATERPILLARS HALL TRAIN. BRISBANE, Australia. (AP) - A plague of caterpillars recently delayed the Tamermore train near Warwick, Southern Queensland, for several hours.

THE TRAIN BRINGING HIS BODY WAS MET BY A MILITARY GUARD OF LEGIONNAIRES. Acord was the of them.

"Good-natured Art" will be buried Saturday.

These early sailors did not trade in any such way at all. They left spices and other treasures they had with them along the places at which they stopped.

They did not speak to the native people. They would go away at once, and then they'd wait awhile before they went back and made these same stops again to see what the natives had left for them. If they liked the chunks of gold the people had left alongside their spices, they would take gold and leave the spices.

If they didn't like the trade they would not take it or their own spices. They would simply go away again and when they would return once more they would find more gold left for them. They had shown that the first trade was not enough!

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But, after all, he was glad their method of trading was different.

He would be able to tell his friends how trading had been done - but then he didn't believe this system would work with any of the boys he knew. They always liked to talk things over and see how much they wanted something another boy had to trade.

The spices always seemed to be so much desired by the natives. As Peggy said, they were always so interested - always coming from so far away!

Do You Remember?

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY (From files of the Mail Tribune.) January 10, 1921.

Explosive freight blocks Main street crossing 20 minutes, despite efforts of police and A. S. Rosenbaum to speed it on its way. Local autoists irked.

Louis Doren of Welton, first man to be married in Medford, dies.

Dr. W. W. P. Holt moves from Eagle Street to Medford to practice medicine.

"On Time" week approved by C. of C.

Inventor of the ready-tied necktie dies in New York City, a millionaire.

Governor Olcott names a committee of local citizens, headed by Attorney Ben P. Lindsay, to conduct a "scenic campaign."

Salvation Army opens barracks in city.

Twenty Years Ago Today (From files of the Mail Tribune.) January 16, 1911.

Socialists of city to organize for 1912 campaign.

Ice freezes over the water in the basement of the new Medford Hotel, and boys are using it for a skating pond.

Ed Andrews reviews "The Theoretical Situation of Today," for this paper.

"Jack-the-Grabber" operating on the University of Oregon campus.

Mrs. Mose L. Alford entertains the study club and Mrs. E. B. Pickel discusses "The Eternal Feminine."

O. C. Boggs is named treasurer of the Young Men's club.

Department of Agriculture rules that "a hen is not a bird."

PUFFY



"In travelling half around the globe I didn't tire a bit - I've always taken care," says Puffy. "I keep my body fit. Perhaps I'm getting old, or else I lack my old-time fire; For after eight hours of golf I'm ready to retire."

SUNDOWN STORIES

RICH SPICES By Mary Graham Bonner. John had often traded pencils and knives and marbles, and balls, and he had made himself, and balls, and once he had traded a life for a baseball bat.

Peggy had traded a doll's kitchen stove for a little sofa to go in her doll's house. But when the children traded they talked the whole matter over with their friends.

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