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Ye Smudge Pot

Department of Commerce experts guess that by December 15, "food price averages will be increased 15 per cent" and, adds cheerily: "the gain will not be noticed by the consumer." It will be a fine thing for the consumer. He will be unable to be a glutton, and get the gout.

"Officials viewed advance bids as high as \$50,000, for the dismantling of a building that originally cost \$28,000." (San Francisco Chronicle)—Spirit of the times item.

It's nothing less than a low form of treason to say it, but the election returns indicate that somebody besides the farmers, have been most efficiently groined by the bull.

Verge Strang, the pillist, celebrated his birthday last Monday, and only has 15 years to go before eligible for the \$200 per month old age pension, that is being widely dreamed.

The deer season opens next Thursday. Deer are reported as scarce. Republicans seem plentiful.

"DEPARTED CAPITALIST LEAVES 9 MILLIONS BEHIND"—(Red Bluff (Calif.) News)—It's only fair to state that he didn't want to.

The college dude element has started wearing the fashionable brushed sweaters that show no signs of ever being brushed.

A rural politician thumbed yesterday. He favored Peter Zimmerman at the bank corner, and Joseph Dunne on the courthouse steps.

OLD-FASHIONED—BUT RIGHT.

Our government has been tried in peace, and it has been tried in war, and has proved itself fit for both. It has been assailed from without, and it has successfully resisted the shock; it has been disturbed within, and it has effectively quelled the disturbance. It can stand trial, it can stand assail, it can stand adversity, it can stand everything but the marring of its own beauty and the weakening of its own strength. It can stand everything but the effects of our own rashness and our own folly. It can stand everything but disorganization, disunion, and nullification. — Daniel Webster's Speech, March 10, 1831. At dinner in New York.

S. Morris, the T-Rock, G-Hill, S-Valley tiller is advocating a rain, and don't know whether to pray, or write the state grange master. While eating lunch, and playing cards, Mr. Morris discarded a slice of bread, instead of the tray of diamonds.

Attendance in Portland primary schools showed a drop of 1484 on the opening day. No reason has been found for the decline. Maybe the kids are down on the docks throwing rocks at policemen.

There is no contempt like the contempt of an autocrat, for his 1928 car, after he has driven one of the 1934 breed. It leaves him with a feeling of utter shiftlessness, and no future. He has to buy a wheelbarrow to get his self-respect back.

"As Maine goes," so the Democrats giggle.

ROMANCE IN PHILIPPINES.

(Manila (P. I.) Tribune)

Last Friday evening Ramon Pascual and Pilar Suter cooed and tickled each other before an open window in a house on Calle Franco, as curious neighbors, passerby and cocheros, hidden behind all available tree trunks, electric posts and garbage cans, with envy eating their hearts, ogled at the blissfully ecstatic turtle-doves. A passing policeman, after having his fill of the scene as a purely impersonal critic, decided that it was just turn into something advanced, disturbed the proceedings just when they were getting interesting. For making public a private relaxation, 10 days in jail.

GUNS Repaired and Cleaned Expert work. Medford Cycle, 23 N. Fur.

Greed, Not Profits, He's Fighting

THE most interesting feature of the testimony of the DuPont Munitions company officials yesterday in Washington was not the fact that the company sold guns and ammunition to both China and Japan in their recent unpleasantness—after all, that is merely good BUSINESS—but the extent of the bonuses paid to the officials of the company.

Bear in mind that these officials already received enormous salaries. But they were not content with that. Instead of reducing their prices, or increasing dividends to their stockholders, this small group on the inside paid themselves the following bonuses:—

In 1915, \$3,375,000.
In 1916, \$6,514,000.
In 1917, \$2,927,000.
In 1918, \$3,170,000.

In other words a total of approximately \$16,000,000 was divided up among the boys at the top, as a result of the company's profits from the world war.

If that were an isolated instance of the established practice of Big Business in this country, it would not be particularly worthy of comment. The munition business is naturally a "seasonal" business and from the nature of things a "high profit" business. But the truth is, that this bonus practice, has been, and particularly during the wild boom days of the Harding-Coolidge era, WAS, the regular, and from the Wall Street standpoint—the perfectly PROPER—thing, to do.

And it is this sort of thing that President Roosevelt is out to "get"—it is this sort of inside graft and legalized greed—that in his New Deal he is making every effort to stamp out. And it is THIS part of his program,—not the much publicized, relief expenditures, regimented bureaus, unbalanced budgets, etc., etc., which is responsible for the increasing opposition to him in the big money centers of the East and Middle West.

IN HIS inaugural address the President said he intended to drive the money changers from the temple. He referred to such "money changers" as cited above. That is also what he has endeavored to do in his New Security Act and other reforms, particularly in the internal revenue laws.

PRESIDENT Roosevelt has repeatedly said he is not opposed to honest business, nor is he opposed to legitimate profits in any business, but he is opposed to a policy which allows a few insiders to milk the corporate cow dry for their own selfish benefit, while the consumers on one hand, and the stockholders on the other, hold the sack. He IS opposed to a few big boys scooping in millions for themselves, out of all proportion to the actual services they render, and forcing the outsiders—the rank and file—to pay them those millions through the nose.

ON THIS ground the Mail Tribune enthusiastically supports the President. In fact this part of the New Deal program is the main reason for this paper's continued approval of it. There are some features of the New Deal this paper does not like, but this feature it DOES like. And in our opinion Roosevelt represents the only chance of bringing this needed reform about.

Finally, if this needed reform and others of similar nature are NOT brought about,—if this sort of unrestricted greed, is allowed to return or continue,—then look out! There will be another one of those explosions heard around the world, and it will not only eliminate HIGH profits, it will eliminate the profit system entirely!

Publicity for the Bar

THE meeting of the Oregon Bar association, held a week ago, was cheering evidence that the lawyers of this state, are seriously engaged in a nation-wide movement looking toward the reform of an antiquated court procedure, the speeding up of justice, the elimination of useless red tape, and what might be termed the modernization of the law.

Some of the most eminent legal authorities of the country attended the meeting. The gathering was far more important and more inclusive in scope however, than the usual bar association meeting; for being held in conjunction with the Pacific Coast Regional committee of the Social Science Research Council of America, it dealt not only with purely legal matters, but with political and social problems of such particular importance, at the present time, and so closely related with the administration of the law.

SUCH meetings should be made an annual affair, and greater publicity given to their deliberations. In fact we believe the state bar association might well appoint a public relations committee, not only at the time of these meetings but throughout the year, could furnish the press with up-to-date news of their efforts and activities. This would be of great benefit to the legal profession and much appreciated by the press.

FOR many years there has been a deep popular impression, that the main obstacle to reform in American jurisprudence, has been the extreme inertia and reactionary attitude of the lawyers themselves. The deliberations of the state bar association, and the spirit of liberalism and free expression of opinion, which characterized that meeting in Eugene, should go far toward removing this impression, and eliminating the danger of it crystallizing into a fixed prejudice against the profession.

In this as in most other problems of a semi-political nature, a free and unlimited interchange of facts, is the best insurance against uncalled-for conflict and misunderstanding.

Ye Poet's Corner

The Country Philosopher.

The Two Rules.

I have traveled up and down, east and west and all around; and I've come to one conclusion that's no shaky false illusion. But a truth—a truth indeed that is plain in any creed. Have you noticed, my good fellow, be you white or black or yellow, has a story filled with scandal has the power to hold the candle? And you'll listen, looking grim, to this tale that's steeped in sin; and when the story-teller's over, you'll repeat it over and over. Never doubt-

ing but its true, never looking for a clue, for "Hearing is Believing" friends, when the word is heard of man.

Now, my fellow, take a story of success, good luck, or glory in some mighty enterprise. Tho you may not call them lies, there will seep within your mind a grave doubt of the truth this time; for "Seeing is Believing" friends, when the good is heard of man.

"This a rule the world goes by—a grim truth that we can't deny. You can't sit it down to this, whether talk of man or mice; if it's good there is a doubt, and if it's bad all doubt is out."

—By F. B. Case.

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By William Brady, M.D.

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HYPOVITAMINOUS DIET AND DEFORMED NAILS

Now that we clearly distinguish six vitamins and have some conception of the specific function of each of them, (they are called vitamins A, B, C, D, E, and K) and the research men are standing in line waiting to thrust still more upon us as soon as we can assimilate them, I suppose the cynics who make their living getting off smart cracks about scientific medicine will presently discover that we are prescribing vitamins now for everything from that tired feeling to the pips. As for the pips, I have no data, but I can confirm the observation so far as it applies to that tired feeling and points west.

At this critical juncture I refuse to mention it, but I see by the Jour. A. M. A. that Dr. Cleveland White of Chicago has noticed in seven cases nail changes varying from slight transverse depressions with longitudinal ridging to marked dystrophy. Humph, nothing about that to warrant an extra. But listen a moment. Just what put Dr. White onto it the clinical report does not inform us, but somehow or other he had a happy inspiration while studying those fingernails. I suppose it was more or less natural for a physician to think to himself, "What in sam hill can be influencing this patient's nutrition to cause these irregular ridges and transverse hollows and disintegration or disappearance or failure of the nail to grow?"

Nutrition—hah, there's a lead. Can't think of nutrition these days without thinking of the role of the vitamins in nutrition. So come, now, madam, just hold out your tongue, or anyway hold it until I complete my examination. Now, then, let me see, you are 38 years old, 63 inches tall and you weigh, hum, 144 pounds. That's just right. No, no. Quite correct for a lady of maternal instincts or just follows the fashion. Oh, so you've been trying to reduce? Well, well, that puts another complexion on the case. And tell me some more about the reducing business, madam. What idiotic method did you attempt?

Diet. It would be. You abstained from all "fattening food," eh? And butter, of course? Cream? Pure fresh milk? Yes, you would. Unfortunately lead in the movement, and Britain follows along.

WILL it work? That is to say, will it STOP THE WAR?

We all hope so, of course; for it is a terrible thing and brings plenty of grief and trouble in its train.

But, in our calmer moments, we can't help remembering there was war long before there was international traffic in arms.

UP AT Blaine, on the boundary between the American state of Washington and the Canadian province of British Columbia, is a monument known as the Peace Portal. It is described as the "only international gateway ever erected in the interest of peace among nations."

Quite a pretty description, and probably an accurate one. It is true that frowning fortifications are much more numerous along the international boundaries of the world than peace portals.

And it is also true that there has never been a war between Canada—Canada—and the United States, and probably never will be.

BUT it isn't the peace monument that prevents it. There has been no war between Canada and the United States because the people of Canada and the United States don't hate each other, and therefore have no desire to go to war.

Embargoes on shipments of arms and munitions aren't needed to keep the people of these two great nations at peace.

THE chief officer of the liner, Morro Castle, which burned the other night with a loss of more than 100 human lives, tells a federal board of inquiry that in his opinion the fire was of incendiary origin.

That is to say, it didn't just happen, but was SET by somebody.

Can you imagine anybody so far gone in depravity as to deliberately set fire to a vessel at sea?

Any SANE person, that is.

A THESE words are written, which is shortly after publication of

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE council of the League of Nations, sitting in closed session at Geneva, agrees in principle to welcome Russia into the league and grant the Soviet Union a permanent seat on the council.

NEWS?

Certainly. But it doesn't mean much. Except that is, a nice job for the Russian delegates and their secretaries, assistants and attendants.

(Secretariat is the proper diplomatic name for the working organization that accompanies delegates to such an affair.)

THE League of Nations does a lot of talking, but when a pinch comes, like the Japanese invasion of Manchuria, it isn't able to get any action.

IN THIS wicked world, it seems to be action that counts.

Witness Huey Long, who is always ready with definite and positive action of some sort, even if he has to go so far as to call out the militia to see that people vote the way he wants them to vote.

THE point is that Huey gets results, even though the results may be bad, as viewed from out here in the rather sensible West; whereas the League of Nations, which only talks, and can't act, gets no results at all.

WHILE we're on the subject of international events, there is a movement on foot to stop the war between Bolivia and Paraguay by declaring an embargo on arms and munitions.

The United States, Russia and Brazil—all non-members of the League of Nations, incidentally, take the

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—By F. B. Case.

the first reports of incendiary origin of the Morro Castle fire, the story is current on the wires that the incendiary was a COMMUNIST.

This writer, who has no use for communists, and believes them to be responsible for a lot of the evils that are sadly distressing this country right now, finds it hard to believe that story.

The avowed purpose of the communists is to overthrow existing capitalist forms of government and set up communist states in their place. That purpose would not be served by setting fire to ships filled with innocent and helpless people.

Instead, such outrages would tend to set people of all kinds bitterly and rigidly against communism and all its works.

If the fire on the Morro Castle was set by a communist bent on the overthrow of existing governments, he was certainly a DUMB communist.

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County History from the files of The Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Years Ago).

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

September 14, 1924.

(It was Sunday)

Citizen who threatened to sue weekly editor for libel, is persuaded by friends to "consider the source." Editor alleged citizen had "pilfered the city treasury until there is nothing left."

Rain is badly needed, to quell forest fires raging in Rogue River district.

Portland meet of Democrats is postponed because of lack of Democrats.

Methodists to open their state conference here tomorrow.

All the leading makes of autos take a jump in price, "because factories unable to fill demands."

President Coolidge in Boston speech declares "American people are mortgaging the future, by installment plan purchases, and undermining the buying power of the masses." Gov. Al Smith of New York replies: "The President is too thrifty and too cautious."

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

September 14, 1914.

(It was Monday)

The first regular practice for the high school football team will be held tomorrow evening.

Fire in the Natatorium is quickly extinguished.

Fire Chief Lawton asserts that "six of Medford's ten churches are fire-traps." Charges that the "doors swing in, which would mean a horror in case of a panic."

Candidates for county offices get busy in the rural districts.

Censorship applies "policy of silence" on Western front, "where historic events are developing."

Oregon Weather.

Fair tonight and Saturday; frost east portion tonight; gentle changeable winds off the coast.

News Behind the News

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were not entirely satisfactory to Mrs. Roosevelt, whose good friend, Josephine Roche, was defeated for the gubernatorial nomination. Another of Mrs. Roosevelt's good friends, Mrs.

Greenway of Arizona, was renominated the same day.

The new treasury tax plan is said to be taking shape now in the mind of Mr. Morgenthau's brain trust. Professor Roswell Magill, who recently returned here after a tax study in Europe. The plan is supposed to include some of England's ideas of heavy taxes on intermediate incomes.

The second-floor corridor of the

treasury department has recently been dressed up with new gold columns, probably to give the impression that Mr. Morgenthau is on the gold standard. The only thing wrong about that implication is that the gold rubs off when you rub against it.

The worst weather in 15 years in the Bristol Bay salmon fishing area of Alaska this season cost the lives of between 25 and 30 fishermen.

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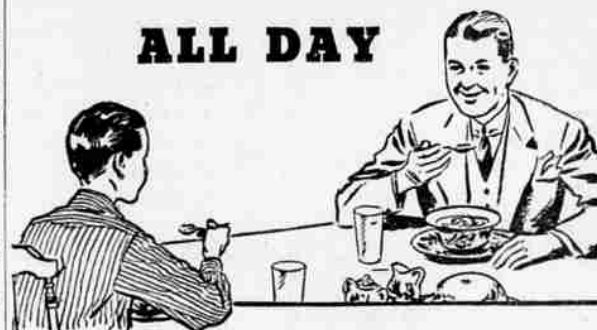
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