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Ye Smudge Pot: By Arthur Perry

Next Saturday is Ground Hog Day, but as yet no Virginia has written the weather man to inquire if there is one.

The legislator who declared last Friday "the worker wants something besides promotion" might have added, "They also want something besides political speeches."

The first airgun of spring showed up yesterday, ahead of the first robin.

Wonderful man! Five million years of development and still he can't divide his food supply as well as the cattle do.

In Winnemucca, Nev., the authorities are pondering what to do with a young man who stole a horse.

OTHERWISE OKAY! I deeply and sincerely regret that this body has degenerated into a supine, subservient, apologetic, superfluous, supercilious, pusillanimous body of nitwits

There will be no primary election next May, but several have started running for sheriff from force of habit.

The law of compensation is still working. A no-hat wearer, who has been filtering with pneumonia for three months, has the crop.

The cold of the past week has been bracing to many people—(Cridley (Cal. Home) It braced them right up against the stove.

J. Curtis Barnes in his book "Jobs" wants a national currency, unbacked by specie, but redeemable in commodities.

It is about time for another rumor to circulate that nobody wants to believe.

Quite a number of local citizens are now up at Salem, and able to come home when they feel like it.

Meanwhile there is a movement under way by members of the "old guard" to "bury the body" in the night by inducing Governor Merriam to commute Tom Mooney's sentence

An Indiana boy, 16, sentenced to walk 24 miles per day, for 80 days, for robbing a grocery store has been paroled. The sentence was pronounced "cruel and unusual."

"Lost \$10 bill on Main street by R. T. Young." (Bedding (Calif.) Searchlight)—That's too bad, but why brag.

One of the pioneer lamp posts is bent slightly towards the east, due to the curbs failing to straighten out fast enough for a speed idiot.

Prof. Edward T. Thorndike of the Alaska Teachers' college, estimates that a knowledge of 10,000 "word meanings" is the minimum requirement for a student graduating from the ninth grade.

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A tract of land in Chesapeake county, Virginia, once belonged to Bermuda. The "Bermuda Hundred" as it is still known, was given to the men who bought the islands from Virginia.

Editorial Correspondence

SALEM, Oregon, Jan. 28.—The legislature is just beginning to jell. This refers particularly to the lower house. In the senate there was a more mature and uniform mixture from the outset so the crystallizing process took a much shorter time.

After spending a day looking over the situation, we are inclined to dispute the general report that this 1935 legislature is a collection of wild jackasses, yet to be broken who don't know what it's all about.

After contacting the newspaper boys and talking with a score of state officials, find praise on all sides for Moore Hamilton, the infant prodigy from Jackson county—the first democrat to represent southern Oregon in many years.

Senator Dunn of Ashland did not attend today's session. That accident he suffered a short time ago proved to be more serious than first reported.

Judge Taylor is sailing along in the lower house, serenely and competently as usual, and confirms the opinion that the house will make a good record before the session ends.

Had a nice chat with Governor Martin. No man could look more fit, or on the surface at least appear to be enjoying himself more. If anything is bothering him he certainly has succeeded in hiding it.

There was no color in today's session—sort of a blue Monday from the standpoint of newspaper copy—merely the second reading of bills. Many people who condemn the legislature for not doing more in open session fail to realize that under our form of government, the real work is done in committees.

The "warden" informs us the most luxuriously furnished cell at the penitentiary is occupied by former county judge, Earl Fehl.

COUNTY ROAD OILING WILL GET UNDER WAY WHEN WEATHER GOOD

The county court, in accordance with its 1934 road program, expects to oil surface ten miles of county roads as soon as weather conditions permit and expects communities desirous of securing quicker action, by paying half of the oiling, to bring the total road oiling for the year to the 20-mile mark.

County Judge Day said today the oiling was "practical and cheap, and was necessary to save the original investment of roads," some of which are now sadly corrugated by four years of travel, with the minimum of upkeep.

HIGH PROSECUTION COST BILL FILED

Cost bill in the trial of George W. High, and his brother Robert N. (Babe) High amounting to \$678.38, was filed today with the county clerk by the district attorney's office.

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Personal Health Service

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene not to disseminate 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.

IF YOU HAVE A JOH OF DWINDLING REMEMBER EASY DOES IT

In the typical case of nutritional obesity of long standing it is reasonable to assume that the ordinary diet of the individual has been vitamin-poor for many years.

You may think I am referring to nutritional obesity (which, by the way, is correctly pronounced o-bee-ty) as though it were a deficiency disease, and so I am.

Kindly take up the following question and let me know when: Mineral salts in drinking water, and their therapeutic value.

Answer—Such tumors with definite outlines are easily removed under local anesthesia. I know of nothing to prevent formation of fatty tumors.

Daughter and self much troubled with sweaty feet.

Answer—Send stamped envelope bearing your name and ask for monograph on Care of Feet.

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 265 E. Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

Comment on the Day's News

THE biennial bill to establish the office of lieutenant-governor has made its appearance at Salem.

WHAT is a lieutenant-governor, does someone inquire? Well, he's a sort of spare tire.

WHO wants a lieutenant-governor? The answer to that question is too easy—the politicians, of course.

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In State's Eye

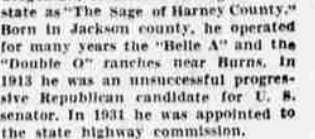


WILLIAM HANLEY, pioneer Oregonian, is known throughout the state as "The Sage of Harney County."

W. W. BALDERSEE, city attorney of Grants Pass, Josephine county seat.



IRA WOODIE, former backfield star on University of Oregon football team, is athletic coach at La Grande high school.



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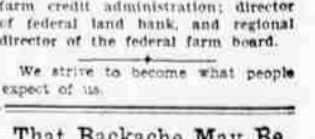
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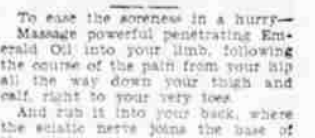
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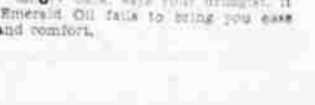
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McIntyre at Palm Beach

By O. O. MCINTYRE

PALM BEACH, Jan. 29.—Bradley's is likely the best conducted gambling casino on the hither side of Monte Carlo.

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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: JANUARY 29, 1925. (It was Thursday)

Gov. Pierce in special message to the legislature, asks \$1,000,000 appropriation to aid eastern Oregon wheat-growers, whose crops were ruined by frost.

Work starts on grading of road to the golf course.

Jackson county indebtedness passes the \$900,000 mark.

The romance of Beverly Bayne and Francis X. Bushman, movie stars hits the divorce court rocks.

Rain that approached the proportions of a downpour falls upon the valley.

Traffic department declares war on speeders between this city and Gold Hill.

Ward Beoney, former high school basketball star, will play with the Oregon Frosh in the game here Friday night.

Twenty years ago today: JANUARY 29, 1915. (It was Friday)

Commercial club launches strenuous final effort to procure enough acreage for sugar beet factory.

Fees of the district irrigation plan in the Central Point district had a joy ride Saturday in an auto parade, seventeen cars participating, one only being from Medford.

Court Hall plans an interurban service to Grants Pass, as soon as the road will permit travel.

After February 1 substitutes who have not procured new licenses will be subject to arrest.

Car of Russia favors union of all Slav peoples, as troops force Germans back to Poland; full comes to western front. Allies mobilize for spring offensive.

Atlanta, Ga., has 639 wholesale stores dealing in various sort of merchandise.

MODERN WOMEN: Need Not Suffer monthly pain and delay due to the cold, nervous system, reproductive system, etc.

Communications

Rees Loan Business Peril

To the Editor: The writer wonders if you would be good enough to reprint the enclosed article from the editorial columns of the Oregonian.

We feel that the business we have built up here is in real danger of destruction due to unwise legislation.

We will quit if the rate is lowered, as we can't operate on less than 3 percent; where then will the average person in need of money for an emergency get it?

W. E. Thomas, Manager for the Oregon & Washington Mortgage Co.

THE SMALL LOAN LAW: Under the terms of bills introduced into the Oregon legislature, companies dealing in loans up to \$500 would be radically curtailed in the matter of interest rates that may be charged on loans of \$30 or less.

It is the practice, when these figures are presented, to jump immediately to the conclusion that there is no question as to the justice of the proposed change.

It was not many years ago that there was no regulation whatever and loan companies, restricted only by the general usury laws, were getting anywhere from 10 to 20 percent on anything up to \$500.

Then special restrictions were introduced in several states, and in 1910 the Russell Sage Foundation set aside a sum for research into the problem.

The research has continued ever since, and the Russell Sage Foundation is accepted as the leading authority.

Generally speaking, the conclusion of the foundation appears to be that 3 1/2 per cent a month is a fair interest on loans up to \$100, with 2 1/2 per cent from \$100 to \$500.

There have been, in recent years, three significant experiments with lower interest rates. New Jersey put the legal interest down to 1 1/2 per cent, as is now proposed for Oregon.

West Virginia tried 2 per cent; Missouri tried 2 1/2 per cent.

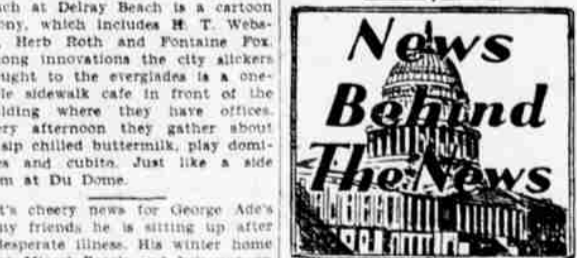
The legitimate loan business in New Jersey was almost destroyed, and the "bootleggers" blocked in West Virginia suffered to almost the same extent. Missouri was considerably better. In all the states, the ratio for loans granted to those applied for went down rapidly, since the companies were far stricter on security and character.

Presumably great numbers of working folks, denied money from legitimate firms, were driven to the bootleggers' offices, where they were charged 10 to 20 per cent a month.

As to the wisdom of including \$30 loans within the provisions of the Oregon law, there can be no question. Unscrupulous concerns, as the law stands, have a neat little method of profiteering. Someone comes in for a \$30 loan. He is told that he can have only \$30 from this particular office, but that down the hall there are a couple of other offices, and he can get \$30 from each of them.

The applicant gets his \$30, but he is subjected to the unlimited interest permitted for loans of \$30 or less. It is a miserable system—robbery of the poor and desperate.

This lack of limitation for \$30 loans should be corrected. Likewise, there might be experiment with 2 1/2 per cent on the \$100-\$500 loans. But in view of the experience of other states, and the findings of the Russell Sage Foundation, it is doubtful whether Oregon should try the 1 1/2 per cent experiment. The only gains would be those bootleggers who would flock in and demand exorbitant interest for the chance they would take in flouting the law.—Oregonian.



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best constitutional bill writing trio (McIntyre, Concoran, Cohen and Landis) of competing in authorship of the re-let bill.

When those boys start scribbling the constitution they do a good job of it. No one yet has been able to pick a legal loophole in their original securities law or securities exchange law.

You will see their legal craftsmanship again soon in the coming holding company bill.

The relief bill was a hedge-podge put together by an attorney in the budget bureau, on suggestions made by the PWA legal staff and others. All the sections except 4 and 5 were good.

Studies of rainfall and erosion made in California revealed that in some pine tree areas the trees intercepted and gave off through evaporation from their crowns about 30 per cent of all rains of less than a third of an inch.

That Backache May Be Sciatica

To ease the soreness in a hurry—Massage powerful penetrating Emerald Oil into your limb, following the course of the pain from your hip all the way down your thigh and calf, right to your very toes.

And rub it into your back, where the sciatic nerve joins the base of the spine.

Just one minute's rubbing. The penetrating warmth brings soothing, comforting relief to the throbbing, painful nerves and soothes them and quickly too.

Emerald Oil fails to bring you ease and comfort.

