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Ye Smudge Pot

In the eternal war of the newspapers against billboards, one of the billboards has retreated to a strategic position on a vacant lot, due east and opposite this newspaper.

Herr Hitler of Germany has been mentioned by Nazi followers as a likely representative of the Almighty on earth, and the leader of a new religion. A somewhat similar partnership was alleged by the late Kaiser, to exist between himself and the Supreme Authority.

Unconfirmed reports state that a hardy soul of the hills hereabouts, soaks his tobacco in whiskey before chewing it. After a half dozen "chaws," he is drunk enough to hit a cupid.

The Dean Brothers—Dizzy and Daffy—pitchers of the St. Louis Cardinals, world champions, have fulfilled their boast to win 45 games this season. They pitch as well as they talk and most of the time better.

At next Tuesday night's open-air symphony, Miss Margaret Stone, the astronomy teacher, will discuss the moon and its relative position to the big diaphanous (Sandstone (Minn.) Claron)—Hide-a-diddle!

The difficulty experienced last Spring, in identifying Spring as Spring, prevails now, as far as recognizing Autumn, as Summer and vice versa, is conceded.

A nephew of C. Wig Ashpols from E. Ft. is a bank-clerk, but has not been working at it long enough to be efficiently tired.

Premier Mussolini of Italy has announced that "war and war alone" will satisfy Italy. The great will remain out of range and talk, though as General Keatney remarked at the Battle of Seven Pines, or wherever it was during the Civil War, so a Colonel, he can "find lovely fighting along the whole line."

H. Yakota, the Japanese tiler, interviewed yesterday on the economic situation, in response to a query, "Are you making any money?" replied: "Don't know. Me never see!"

A California blonde, claiming the "lying down" championship, remained buried alive at Ocean Park for 92 days and five hours. Upon being disinterred, she nearly and promptly fainted. Better late than never, and nobody blames her.

The late "Crown Prince of Democracy," romantically happy after marching to the altar with a bride only 48 years his junior, announces he is "growing younger, and there is nothing I can do about it." This is a noble, if vain effort to "kid" Father Time. The bridegroom, for all his brave words, a growing older, and there is nothing he can do about that, either.

Evergreen pickers, best job of season. Tel. 3932—(Salem Statesman)—Make it governmental and alphabetical, and call it the RJB.

The New Dealers will understand of course, that breathing is an automatic process over which they can exercise little control.—(Indianapolis News)—So there will be no Comptroller of the Larynx.

THE BAWL-OUT. Literary Digest. Sir—Cheers for Mr. Heyman's plea (The Literary Digest, August 31) for jury reform!

Housewives who understand the art of baking bread far better than the art of cross-questioning laborers who have completed their education in the fifth grade, prejudiced brothers who understand the lodge district signal, sentimental sisters, whose tears flow at slightest provocation—these, with an easy occasional intelligent citizen, who easily abdicates when he realizes his futile task of penetrating skulls, form our deplorable system whereby, only too frequently, "liberty," and not justice, are given to men.

A Breathing Spell

WITH congress adjourned and the League of Nations (at the moment) heating time, the tight race in the National League, looms as an item in the day's news, worth talking about. By a sensational spurt, taking them from the bottom of the ladder to the top, in true Horatio Alger style, the Chicago Cubs, are now leading the Cards, and heading for a final round-up in St. Louis, which promises to be a fitting prelude to the world series.

GOOD for the Cubs! By turning the National league struggle into a real horse race, they are not only stimulating the gate receipts but rendering a genuine public service.

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy. And too steady concentration upon the vital and serious affairs of this world, such as domestic and foreign politics, war and peace, old deals and new ones; may have serious consequences.

FOR when homo sapiens gets to taking himself and the world TOO seriously,—begins to entertain the idea that upon his shoulders somehow rests the fate of the nations,—there are danger signals ahead, both for him and the section of the earth's surface over which he circulates.

He needs a long vacation. He also needs diversion and relaxation. For the moment this Garrison finish of the Chicago Cubs, provides the last two, and for his head, which is the most important factor, it supplies the first.

Following the baseball scores will give him a mental vacation. And if that is not enough in itself, then there is the Louisville fight, only a few nights away; and before he knows it, the football season will begin.

All of which is to the good. Variety is not only the spice of life, it is the chief ingredient of health, mental and physical. So let's call a truce (at least for 24 hours) to politics, economics, eugenics, ethics, statistics and all the other "IOS"—except athletics!

Gentlemen, bring on your horses!

Just Genius?

AND while on the subject of sports, how about going back to yesterday's news and considering the case of Jack Barrymore?

Jack it seems ran out on his latest lady love, and took the 8-karat diamond ring with him. Whether or not he intends to return to his former wife Dolores Costello and his two young children is not known.

But the Elaine Barrie romance is over. Elaine says so herself. She doesn't want her handsome Romeo back, but she DOES want her 8-karat sparkler.

Who can blame Elaine, who until the fairy wand of Barrymore romance touched her, was known as Ellie Jacobs? If the roles were reversed, she would undoubtedly do as much for Jack. For she has shown herself to be a very generous young person.

She doesn't blame Jack at all. She puts it all on his genius. That's all. JUST GENIUS!

IF Jack were not a genius—well—he would never have run out on Elaine, or Dolores, or one or two other wives he has had, he would have been a nice home-loving body, going to church every Sunday, and helping "mother" with the family washing the morning after.

But would he? What is genius? According to Mr. Webster it is an extraordinary and supreme, NATIVE endowment,—intuitive, inspired and spontaneous.

Is Jack Barrymore a genius? We don't know a dramatic critic who would say so.

Jack Barrymore is a fairly good actor, with unusual personal magnetism and a more unusual Greek profile. That's all. He is no more a genius than Jean Harlow is a genius—without his name and good looks he would no doubt be having hard work just now, getting \$10 a day as a Hollywood extra.

SO in our judgment Elaine is generous, but not bright. The trouble with Mr. Barrymore and his lady friends is not genius. It has nothing to do with genius. Some geniuses are "that a way" and some aren't. But with the youngest Barrymore it is merely the way he is built—irresponsible, irrepensible, impulsive, spoiled, vain and supremely selfish.

That's all. Ringing in genius as an alibi is kind, but it has nothing to do with the case, whatever.

Communications

That salary of \$1500. To the Editor: In your issue of September 17th, you reprint an article from the Salem "Capital Journal" which deals with Huey Long and his practice of collecting exorbitant fees, as an attorney from the state, while holding public office. This editorial comment further states, quote: "Yet many Oregonians who extol Huey Long go to law to keep the governor of Oregon on a \$1500 a year salary." End of quote.

In my estimation, the above quotation goes to prove the fallacy of retaining in its original form, without amendment, any constitution which a salary of \$1500 would possibly have been adequate at the time the original constitution of the state of Oregon was adopted. It is totally inadequate today.

However, according to the attorney-general's recently rendered opinion, as regards the location of the new capitol, it would seem that constitutionally all governors, present and past, who have received more than \$1500 a year, would have to reimburse the state for the difference between the salary of the constitution and the \$1500 or whatever the amount was in different periods.

The above proves that any and all constitutions must be changed to meet the exigencies of the times.

Some of those within this state that are undoubtedly shouting the loudest about "returning to the constitution" are most strenuously opposed to paying the governor of the state of Oregon the insulting sum of \$1500 a year.

As far as the constitution is concerned, there are the following fundamentals which must always be re-

tained, namely, free speech, free press, free assembly, freedom of religion, equality of all men and the right of franchise, and strange to say, most of these things above enumerated are rights guaranteed to us by amendments to the constitution.

HENRIETTA B. MARTIN, Medford, September 17.

CRATER LAKE FISH APPETITE STUDIED

CRATER LAKE NATIONAL PARK, Ore.—(Sp.)—A thorough research of the food habits of Crater Lake trout during the past summer by J. Stanley Brode, ranger-naturalist, brought forth proof that the lake is far more abundant in food values than has been generally thought.

In the past fresh water shrimp (Amphipod) had been given credit for being the main source of food, but an examination of the stomachs of 45 silverides and four rainbow trout revealed that water fleas (Daphnia pulex) made up 82.8 per cent of the sustenance of the fish. Fresh water shrimp was credited with only 4.7 per cent. Insects made up 3.3 per cent; snails, 10.9 per cent; minnows, .87; worms, .25; and plants, 8-10 of one per cent.

While the water temperature is hardly 40 degrees from depths ranging from 70 to 20 feet, the water fleas are principally found within this range, indicating trout swim deeply in Crater Lake. The fleas is the smallest type of food, several thousands of them being found in the stomach of one fish. The largest food specimen was a seven-inch trout in the stomach of a silveride.

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. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

SOAP IS ANTISEPTIC

In the old days if a little boy used bed language he was liable to have his mouth washed out with soapy water. Nowadays he is liable to become a writer of novels or plays. Soap is so darn common and cheap that it is a bit risky for a health column conductor to tell the truth about it.

Text and reference books make no mention of the germicidal action of soap, so in order to find what had been done in this field Dr. Thos. B. Wood made a general review of medical literature and found some important studies. It will pay the progressive physician to read Dr. Wood's contribution "Soap as a Therapeutic Agent" in Medical Times, July, 1935.

One striking fact Dr. Wood brings out is that investigators (Larson and Nelson) found experimentally that soap added to toxins detoxifies them. Guinea pigs injected with one hundred times the minimum lethal dose of diphtheria toxin and tetanus toxin to which soap was added failed to develop symptoms. And Davison injected guinea pigs with ten times the minimum lethal dose of tetanus toxin, which invariably killed within 18 hours, but control animals injected with the same dose of toxin mixed with a few drops of 1% soap solution survived from two to five days. These and other scientific investigations believe soap forms a film around the toxin and so interferes with its absorption and action. Likewise, soap forms a film around germs and causes their death by excluding them from their nutritive medium. Another possibility is that soap simply neutralizes germ toxins or poisons as an alkali neutralizes an acid. A familiar, but not so plausible explanation in the therapeutic action of soap is that it "increases surface tension," but who cares?

Numerous conditions and cases cited in Dr. Wood's report indicate the wide field of application of soap. New York hospitals use a standard 0.4% solution of U.S.P. soft soap (Sapo molles) containing from 60 to 75% sodium oleate. In private practice Dr. Wood uses a solution of one dram of tincture of green soap to the pint of water.

Disinterested tests of numerous popular brands of soap showed that there is no significant difference in their antiseptic power. Use any soap you like, only so it is not "medicated" or modified by addition of chemicals.

No mention in Dr. Wood's article of grandma's grand old soap and sugar poultice for stone bruise and other serious setbacks of the good old summer time. I dare say that treatment beats any modern remedy you can apply.

Vincent's astringent (trench mouth), acute sore throat, tonsillitis, quinsy, are among the conditions where soap solution is valuable as mouth wash and gargle or spray. It is excellent as a wet dressing for septic wounds. It is used for gastric and duodenal lavage as a therapeutic measure. Finally, it is probably the most efficient and the safest antiseptic for vaginal douches.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Arches in Foot. Please say how many arches in the foot and where they are located. I have foot trouble and some people tell me the talk about arches is all baloney.—(Mrs. A. H.)

Answer—Two, one being the arch from the great toe joint upward toward instep and down toward heel; the other being an arch from great toe joint across the foot to the base of the little toe. Send stamped envelope bearing your address, and ask for instructions on Care of the Feet.

Is snuff injurious to a man's health? I have been told it contains some opium, and that makes it so hard to break the habit of using snuff.—(Mrs. A. H.)

Answer—It is no more or less injurious than any other brand of snuff which is only tobacco powdered, and contains no opium. Using snuff is no more harmful than smoking or chewing tobacco.

Tuberculosis. Is it possible for a person who has tuberculosis to become infected to a greater extent by living with others who have it? Also, is it wise for friends to visit with a patient in a tuberculosis sanatorium?—(M. D. R.)

Answer—Yes, one who has tuberculosis may acquire secondary infections from other patients, which will aggravate his condition. It is safe to visit any tuberculosis patient who is intelligent and conscientious or well cared for, as in a sanatorium. Tuberculosis is contracted, not by casual or occasional exposure, but by living with or working with one who has the disease.—(Copyright, 1935, John F. Dille Co.)

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NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

By O. O. McIntyre

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—With Ring Lardner in a better world, the town has no droll humorist to brighten life with sudden burles. No one before or since had his queer, original signal snarl. Yet genuine spurt were obvious one wondered why they had never been uttered before.

Lardner's favorite rendezvous in those relaxing moments was a way from the type-writer was a darkened corner in the grill at the Lamba. Whenever he appeared a gang would collect and sit expectantly awaiting some devastating mot. Sometimes he would sit obliviously until dawn before one popped out.

But, when it did, West 144th cocked with laughter for days. He loved to organize quartettes and hang triumphantly on the lingering notes of his favorite, "Sweet Adeline." One 2 a. m. he sat alone in his corner. An odd-looking actor with long hair paused before him.

After a silence, Lardner drawled: "Twelve o'clock, Unmack." But his top subtlety, I think, was at Atlantic City where his show, "June Moon," was tried out with extravagant cast. He was wandering the boardwalk late. A friend asked what he was doing there. "I'm down here," he said, "with an act."

The lower Fifth Avenue sidewalk cafe section has grown picturesque with the hawkers of gimcracks much in the same manner of those roaming and seedy salesmen who patrol the terraces of the Dome and Cafe de la Paix in Paris. Indeed, many have seeped over from the French capital. This evening one was tooling a tune on a tin whistle and offered them for sale with a printed music lesson for a dime. Another had a kiosk of tiny cages containing love-birds at \$1 per cage. Still another, pill-box concertinas at 75 cents.

It was good news that Tommy Moighan came back from the brink of the grave after desperate illness. Few movie actors attained such sustained following that never swung to a new idol. To this day, he is solicited for autographs almost as eagerly as newer stars. His domestic life too has been happy. In 1904, he met and married Frances Ring, who appeared with him in George Ade's "The College Widow."

I found myself bargaining by the corner of 50th and 8th avenue every few days to squint at Shipreck Kelly, swaying in his perch atop the flagpole. In the same manner I cannot pass a marathon dance. Shipreck is a battered jehannu loosing on life's turbulent seas and no one I can think of has been so capable named. He was struggling hopelessly to roll a cigaret in the rather swift breeze,

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS.

WHAT is a constitution? It is a WRITTEN document, setting forth definitely and plainly what may and what may not—especially what may not—be done by government.

Its chief purpose, in a democracy such as ours, is to protect minorities against triumphant and intolerant majorities.

SUPPOSE, for example, that you are a Protestant, and that the Catholics should come into complete and unquestioned control of the government after a campaign in which bitterness and intolerance had been aroused.

Or, putting it the other way around, suppose you are a Catholic and the Protestants come into unquestioned power after a campaign in which bitter hatreds were stirred.

In either event, the constitution will protect you.

THE constitution provides that no person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law and that private property shall not be taken for public use without just compensation.

All down through the history of the world, BEFORE constitutions, government in the saddle punished its enemies or its opponents by taking their lives or seizing their property. Government, you see, was in the majority, and enforced its will against the minority.

THE constitution prevents that. GENERALLY speaking, and admitting that there are exceptions, radical changes in the constitution are desired by MAJORITIES that are in power and wish to do things to the minority that are forbidden by the constitution.

For this reason, the founders of our country and the authors of the constitution made amendment of it difficult. Amendments to the constitution must be proposed by a two-thirds vote of both houses of congress and ratified by the legislatures of two-thirds of the states.

If minorities are to be protected against triumphant majorities, amendment of the constitution MUST be made difficult and slow.

THERE is nothing particularly sacred about the constitution—other than that it has served us adequately for 148 years, during which time we have grown from an infant and struggling nation to the greatest nation in the world, providing for our people a greater average share of the good things of life than was provided before in any country. A constitution that makes that possible must be pretty good.

But, so long as the process of amendment remains what it is, there is no reason why the constitution should not be changed whenever a sufficient number of people WANT it changed.

We have been changing it ever since we adopted it, and will probably continue to do so.

THE thing to guard against is making changes TOO QUICK AND EASY. If it ever becomes possible to amend the constitution practically overnight, minorities will no longer have protection against intolerant majorities.

Here in Oregon, we change our STATE constitution so easily and so quickly that we practically have no constitution at all.

THESE thoughts are suggested by the fact that this is constitution week, during which people are urged to study the constitution of the United States and familiarize themselves with the benefits it has conferred upon the people of this country.

Here from Eugene—Charles W. Davis of Eugene has been a business visitor here for the past few days, visiting also with his sister-in-law, Mrs. W. J. Rutledge. Davis represents Occidental Life Insurance Co.

Meteorological Report

September 18, 1935.

Medford and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness tonight and Thursday; little change in temperature.

Oregon: Fair east and increasing cloudiness west portion tonight and Thursday, probably followed by rain in northwest portion and on coast Thursday; little change in temperature.

Local Data. Temperature a year ago today: Highest, 94; lowest, 47.

Total monthly precipitation, 0.29 inch. Excess for the month, 0.5 inch.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1935, 0.26 inch. Excess for the season, 0.52 inch.

Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 21%; 5 a. m. today, 81%.

Sunrise tomorrow, 5:55 a. m. Sunset tomorrow, 6:14 p. m.

Observations Taken at 5 a. m. 129 Meridian Time.

Table with columns: CITY, High Temp., Low Temp., Wind, Clouds, Precipitation.

STEELE DECISIONS NEGRO EX-CHAMP

SEATTLE, Sept. 18.—(UP)—A smashing win in the closing minutes of his 10-round bout last night gave Freddie Steele, ranking Tacoma middleweight, a decision over Gorilla Jones, negro ex-world champion of Akron, Ohio.

A year ago the two fighters battled to a draw, with Jones given the slight edge by many observers.

The 21-year-old Tacoma fighter weighed in at 157 pounds, Jones at 161; it was Steele's second victory over a former champion in two months. He knocked out Vince Dundee, Newark, N. J., in the third round in July.

Steele was the aggressor throughout the fight, punching the Akron fighter repeatedly. Jones was at his best in the second and third rounds, when he fought in close and landed frequent hard blows.

Steele took the last three rounds on close margins, with hard lefts to the negro's face. Approximately 7000 fans applauded the decision.

Castillo Wins Nod Over Speedy Dado

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18.—(UP)—Frankie Castillo, 19 year old Mexican youth of Los Angeles, last night outpointed Speedy Dado, veteran Filipino featherweight, in their 10 round main event.

Castillo scored frequently with quick rights to the head after Dado, a fast starter, slowed down toward the end of each round.

The Mexican took five rounds to Dado's four with one even. Castillo weighed 120 and Dado 117.

Life Editor's Wife Will Ask Divorce

RENO, Nev., Sept. 18.—(UP)—Mrs. Mildred Eggleston of New York, has established residence here to divorce George T. Eggleston, editor of Life, humor magazine, it was learned last night. The action is expected to be heard in a local court in about three weeks.

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Flight 'o Time

Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 Years Ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY. September 18, 1925. (It was Friday.) Inch of rain falls during the night, followed by clearing weather and bright sunshine.

Sen. Stanfield, charged with intoxication, falls to appear at trial, and \$30 bail is forfeited.

Moose Mulreid, driving his Dodge Special No. 1, is hit at fair auto races, and wins the main event.

Four minor auto accidents on Main street at noon, create commotion. "Somebody is careless," opines the police chief, in a warning to motorists.

Showers in the hills aids deer hunters.

Central Point school attendance is a record breaker in both grade and high school.

Del Rio orchard ships 40 cars of pears in single day.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY. September 18, 1915. (It was Saturday.) Annual salmon bake at Gold Hill attracts large crowd.

Mrs. Charles M. English, Mrs. Ralph G. Bardwell and daughter Betty leave on six weeks' visit to middle west.

Taxpayers league is formed at Central Point.

J. Pierpont Morgan, now the world's richest man, due to war profits.

Syndicate formed to float "billions-dollar loan"; Zeppelin drops bombs on London.

Killing of Chinese peasants reported plentiful, though season does not open until October 1. Farmers indignant and irked.

Five Fords damaged last night in minor accidents on Main street. Team scored by Ford runs away.

T. E. Daniels and Leon Hawkins leave for Seattle Bar to hunt deer.

Net Star's Husband Would Sever Bonds

LONDON, Sept. 18.—(AP)—William Easton and Sons solicitors representing Edmund Owen Pearley Whittinghall, today confirmed reports that their client had filed a petition for divorce from his tennis-player wife, Eileen Bennett Whittinghall.

The petition, the solicitors said, named Marcus Marshall, well-known British horse race trainer, co-respondent.

Astoria-Commerce Unable To Score

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 18.—(AP)—The Astoria and Commerce high football team collided head-on here last night with neither team able to score.

Twice Commerce recovered fumbles deep in Astoria territory, and once Astoria recovered a fumble in Commerce territory, but passes and running plays yielded but little further progress.

Truck Driver Suicides

ASTORIA, Sept. 18.—(UP)—Robert T. Aston, 35, truck driver here for 30 years, committed suicide in his bathroom with gas from a heater. It was believed today when his father found the body.

THE MARYLAND FUND

is quoted in this newspaper daily. Prospectus may be secured from your investment dealer.

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