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Ye Smudge Pot By Arthur Ferry.

Science has perfected a windshield, that enables an autoist to face the glare of approaching headlights, or the sun in safety. This is a noble achievement, and now science can do something about the autoist who boasts no headlights, and if they do, declines to turn them on. The type is the real boy terror of the night, on highways and byways.

Seant hope for the passage of the Sales Tax to provide financing for Old Age Pension payments is held in the special election Friday. Like its defeated predecessor, the present Sales Tax has one vital fault: nobody can get out of paying it. It is opposed by those least able to pay; also those who don't want to pay. An overwhelming majority is sought, to show once and for all, Oregonians want no part of a Sales Tax. An overwhelming majority will also show the milk of human kindness is curdling faster than suspected.

The sun shone yesterday afternoon, so a man went out in his backyard, and picked up the first garden spade of the season.

A straw vote is in order to determine if there is more Townsend candidates, than Townsend voters.

Some claims 3000 Ethiopians were slain in a three-day battle, and the Ethiopians claim their losses in the same battle was only 760 soldiers. It looks like the Italians count departed foes like ballots in a hot election.

Al Smith's radio attack on the New Deal, caused a number of local Democrats to swoon, and vow they would jump on their derby hat, if they had one.

An eastern college dean contends that automobiles are damaging the generation of school age. Well, truth is fair play.—(Tacoma, Wn. Ledger). So it seems!

In week-end baseball games, both 'Old Oregon' and Medford High, emerged triumphant from the little end of the horn.

A San Francisco labor agitator predicts a near civil war, unless his side of the argument wins. The prophet of dire events is an alien, so is privileged to talk as he pleases. He glibly threatens a general strike lock-out, with no fear of the lock-out.

The ex-Kaiser of Germany passed his 77th birthday yesterday. Many can recall how the Allies were going to hang him, with the minimum of delay, as soon as the World War was won.

F. Bybee, the Trilla sett, towed Moth. He is getting ready to shear his sheep, and sell the wool, at the usual loss.

Down in the cornfield, hear that mournful sound? No more checks for doing nothing. A.A.A.'s in the cold, cold ground.—(Chicago Tribune). O! say not!

A Portlander, engaged in establishing Utopian rainbows for the Old Folks, alleges he has been receiving threats by telephone, to leave the state—or else, or words to that effect. The last threats received in these parts, were received by a patriot, who wrote them himself on his own typewriter, and defied the threat writer to come out in the open.

"ROUND 'N' ROUND" The melodic combination of purely monosyllabic words with musical symbols, which we in this what we like to call enlightened era designate as music, continues without increase its circular motion, reaching its ultimate climax by way of the most obvious of exits—the one right here.

By way of variety it is possible, yes, highly probable, that pressure on the instrument's initial key, one of several which normally control the sound emanating therefrom, will result in nothing more nor less than a continuance of the revolution of the said sounds, through, over, across and over of the aforementioned instrument.

Still and all, God wot, it comes out here.—(New York News). Use Mail Tribune want ads.

There Is an Election, Friday!

THIS announcement will come as a shock, no doubt, to many of our readers. But,—there is a state election on Friday! Yes, this Friday is the date and four measures are to be voted up,—or down,—depending upon the views of the minority that happens to take the trouble to exercise their franchise, three days hence.

In the judgment of this paper two of the measures should be passed and two should be defeated.

First, the two which should be passed:

NO. 1. The sales tax bill providing funds for old age pensions. This is the last chance to secure an adequate old age pension system in this state, for the immediate present, and probably for many years to come. If it is beaten it will injure no one but those deserving elderly people who need financial help in their declining years and have to date, not been able to secure it. The result will be a pretty accurate test of the sincerity of those who have maintained they believe in old age pensions, that are feasible on one hand, and adequate on the other.

NO. 2. The second measure which should pass is that "authorizing student activity fees in state higher educational institutions,—known as the compulsory fee bill. There is wide spread misapprehension concerning this measure. Opponents of the measure claim it will, if passed, put an added burden on the "poor student." This is only true, assuming the "poor student" has no interest in anything but books, and what he can get out of them. But most of our students at the two state institutions are poor, in the sense that a large proportion of them are working their way through, and they believe,—and believe correctly—there should be something in a college education beside what one can get out of books (if not, why not get an education by correspondence?)

There should be, not only training of the mind, but the BODY; there should be interesting and broadening social contacts; there should be cultural advantages in the direction of concerts and lectures,—the Portland Symphony for example, and lectures by experts and scholars and public men, of national and international reputation.

In short, they regard college education as not only cultivation of the mind, and body, but broadening and strengthening of character,—preparation for and the enrichment of life.

And because this is their attitude they want these so-called extra curricular activities, and they want them at the lowest possible cost to themselves, which the passage of this measure will insure.

This bill should never have been placed on the ballot, for the state board of higher education,—supported by the officials, faculty and student bodies of the two state institutions—should have decided the matter for themselves, without injecting the question into politics. The sentiment at the college is overwhelming for compulsory fees, the principle of home rule,—of educational self government—should have prevailed.

But as long as the measure has been placed on the ballot, the only thing for the people of Oregon who are interested in maintaining the high standard of their educational institutions, to do, is to vote "yes."

THE two measures which, we believe, should be voted down are raising pay of the members of the Legislature without designating what that pay should be,—and Changing primary elections from May to September.

THE pay raising bill is sound in purpose,—legislators should receive a "living wage"—but this is the wrong way to go about it. A vote for this measure gives the members of the Legislature the right to fix any remuneration they wish, at any time, or as many times as they wish, with no control other than a veto by the Governor or the referendum and recall. It is an extraordinary and dangerous precedent to establish. Let the Legislators designate what they WANT, and then let the people, decide whether or not they wish to pay it. In short put the horse in front of the cart instead of behind it!

THE primary change measure is another proposal which is not generally understood. At first blush it sounds good. Why extend the political campaign with its noise and fury from May to November, when it could all be compressed into a few weeks from September to the same election date?

The answer is because such a change as this will: 1. Destroy the presidential primary. 2. Absolutely eliminate independent candidacies, to oppose any regular party nominees, and 3. Work a genuine hardship upon the candidate of small means, who can't afford to buy newspaper or radio advertising, but must cover the state—and it is a big state to cover,—by personal contact and personal appearance, not always easy, on short notice, to arrange.

In short, the measure goes too far. Advancing the primary a month or two might be desirable; shoving it ahead four months, really destroys the primary PRINCIPLE without any REAL compensatory benefits.

To sum up this paper's RECOMMENDATIONS regarding the primary are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Measure and Recommendation. Primary elections: Vote 301, No. Legislative compensation: Vote 303, No. Sales Tax bill: Vote 304, Yes. Student activity fees: Vote 306, Yes.

OHIO STATE GRIDDEES ABSOLVED BY BOARD CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—Fifteen Ohio State football players employed by the state from November 1, 1934, to November 1, 1935, were absolved of wrong doing today by the Big Ten committee on rule infractions and Major John L. Griffith, conference athletic commissioner.

Investigation of the athletes' job was asked by the Ohio State athletic board last October after Governor Martin L. Davey had jokingly remarked: "We have done everything we can to help the Ohio State team and have most of the squad on the state payroll."

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 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.

MENU FOR REGENERATION REGIMEN

Authorities are now pretty well agreed that predominance of non-protective foods in the ordinary diet of a large portion of the population tends to bring about degenerative changes in individuals past the prime of life; and a diet in which protective food predominates tends to reverse these degenerative changes. I say what I mean and I don't mean to say this is the fountain of youth. But I believe the character of the diet has a good deal to do with your age, my hearties. Here, then, is the menu for THE REGENERATION REGIMEN:

Table with 2 columns: Food Item and Calories. Breakfast: Glass of tomato juice (40), Or glass of orange juice (80), Two eggs cooked as you please (160), Any fresh fruit in season (80), Glass of milk (150). Lunch: One-third head of lettuce (16), Tablespoonful of oil (95), Two fresh vegetables (80), Pat of butter (320), Pint of milk (80), Fresh fruit (80). Dinner: Meat (190), One-third head of lettuce (16), Tablespoonful of oil (95), Pat of butter (320), Glass of Milk (160), Fresh fruit (80), Cheese (90), Handful of nuts (140). Total: 946.

As outlined the menu gives a total of 2118 calories for the day,—barely a maintenance ration for an adult whose occupation or habit is sedentary. An adult lying quietly in bed requires 1800 calories a day to maintain normal basal metabolism, to supply body functions. An adult who gets a reasonable amount of exercise daily, say walking to work, instead of riding, running up and downstairs instead of taking the lift, doing the Brady Symphony, mowing

blusher and in my stammering confusion I nodded toward the cigarette and inquired: "Cubebis, I suppose?" I can still redder a little thinking of it.

And it was Chic Sale who came home from an apple butter-bolling to face his grandmother's scornful: "Not satisfied with stayin' out until just high 10 o'clock you come home smellin' up the house with them cubebies."

From Savannah, Ga.: "Whenever you hear some hotty toity in New York laugh at you all, just remember we haven't slipped to 'youse guys.'" Incidentally Longfellow used "you all."

William Gaxton has made such a smash of his perfume business that, what with income taxes as they are, the stage may lose him for awhile. Gaxton's experiment was one of merchandising ruddy scents, solely to suggest a recent exit from a barber shop instead of an exotic personal vanity. J. P. Morgan, I hear, likes a touch of cologne on his kerchief. J. Ham Lewis is a lover of fine perfumes. Joe Ziegfeld used to spray his office with \$18 an ounce scents at intervals. King George, I liked an old fashioned Pompadour perfume. That was the favorite of Queen Victoria.

Mrs. Mike Hogg, of Houston, has one of the most complete perfume collections in America. It was collected by an expert in France over a period of many months and would fill the shelves of an average perfume shop. Clara Bell Walsh has the largest private collection in New York. Peggy Joyce spends more for perfume than any other woman, I am told.

A radio crooner is pleading for his boots and saddles to go back to the range. And Henry Sell, thumb-twiddling before the fire, swings from his reverie long enough to murmur he knows where he can get a couple of boots all right, all right. (Copyright, 1936, McNaught Syndicate)

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NEW YORK DAY BY DAY By O. O. McIntyre NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The new flash in society orchestra leaders is Mario Braggiotti, of the radio piano duo of Fray and Braggiotti. He launched himself at the Casino and brought out the milk-least crowd since the hand-picked list Tony Riddle lined up for the beginning of Sid Solomon's regime.

Braggiotti is of a distinguished Italian-American family and his two sisters are matched high in the upper crust. He has the perfumed manners of the established continental. Heidelberg and Sorbonne were stops in his student career. His hopes are for the concert field.

For about five years he has been doing tail Frenchman Fray have been doing their piano act, a model of simultaneous preciseness. In his orchestras, he directs sitting at the piano and improvising with the stylized rhythm of Eddie Duchin. Not forgetting to look out and smile at the dancers who catch his eye.

house and are limited as to cost so that you have to hunt around to find decent building material at a low cost and ask all sub-contractors for a low bid on their work, etc. I tell you the building game is no snap. GEO. IVKESON, Medford, Jan. 27.

As to College Fees Oregon was the first state to adopt a presidential primary law and the first to function the Initiative-Referendum and Recall, thereby bringing the will of the people more effectively into government.

Now the younger generation have become torch-bearers in progress. The students' successful referendum of the tyrannical Fee Bill was the first kind in American history and was hailed throughout the country as a triumph for justice in education.

In the face of their own poverty and coercion on the part of Dr. Peavey and the State college officials, this heroic effort is being made to free themselves from this extra burden of \$15,000 per year being added to a tuition which is already unreasonably high.

Richard Neuberger (state chairman of the Students' Relief committee) writes to Mr. Peavey as follows, quote "I wonder what the voters of Oregon will think of a precedent which will give to the president of a state college, the authority to present only one side of political issues to students in his charge?—I know of no law which authorizes the heads of schools to use school time to indoctrinate students with one side of an issue or force the voters."

"Everybody's Business" refers to this as "Facism and Tyranny at the State College" and adds "consider the danger of the precedent thus established."

If Dr. Peavey can get away with this, he can also have presented to his students in the future, one side of such issues as the sales tax—who is to be governor of Oregon—and similar political issues. He will be censor, supervisor and director of what facts shall be given the students in his charge.

When the fee was voluntary, 45 per cent of them, nearly half of the student enrollment, refused to pay the fee, yet the false claim is being made that the student body as a whole wants this bill passed. Were this ridiculous claim true, why the need of compulsion?

In their petition, the students asked to have the bill voted upon in the fall election, thereby giving them opportunity to work for its defeat, during the vacation months of next summer. But the legislature, evidently sensing this, rushed it on to this special election to check-mate their efforts in behalf of justice for the sons and daughters of the less well to do in our state.

Surely the voters of Oregon will uphold these students in their struggle for an education. Vote not-X-No. ARIZEL BURTON POMEROY, Central Point, Ore. Jan. 26.

Ed. Note.—As there is no tuition how can it be "already unreasonably high" Only non-residents of Oregon pay tuition at the university or O. C.—when no one has to pay an extra curricular fee, naturally only the most public spirited and unselfish do pay—which is unjust and undemocratic.

The Carle Case Again To the Editor: I think your readers will be interested in a letter which I have just received from the secretary of state relative to the matter which led me to submit to arrest recently. The letter in part says: "In view of the fact that there is a possibility that this law did not express the true intention of the legislature, I have asked for an opinion of the attorney general on this question. Also, with the approval of this office, a friendly suit has been instituted in the circuit court for Marion county as to whether the 50 per cent reduction should be given to farmers on this type of registration. If the decision is favorable to the owners of vehicles of this type, then a refund of excess fees collected will be made."

I was arrested for driving a "pick-up" with license for a passenger car. Since my trial I have seen the law, and I saw at once that it does not say "pick-up," but plainly condemns the cars driven by it as they are. See page 18: "Vehicles used for carrying any freight, property, article or anything else." According to a count which I made, the law condemns to a \$10 fee two-thirds of all the cars parked along the streets of Medford the day I counted. I related the law because it was UNJUST, forbidding as interpreted by the officers, a poor man to make an OPEN box on his car in place of a CLOSED box, as is found on all coupes and roadsters and many others. I started to swear out a complaint against the chief, but was unable, in the time at my disposal, to seek the proper officer.

WM. M. CARLE, Lake Creek, Jan. 25.

A Bouquet From Yreka To the Editor: Sorry to take your time, just can't help it. Got to get off my chest. I read your editorial recently, and I also read other. For fairness, constructive criticism, sound judgment and no mud-slinging, your editorials are head and shoulders above all that reach me. I don't wonder you received the Pulitzer award. I hope you get it again. More power to your elbow. Faithfully yours, WM. B. HAMILTON, Yreka, Jan. 27.

Bremerton Editor Dies SEATTLE, Jan. 28.—(P)—The state's newspaper fraternity mourns today the death of one of its best known members, Wallace Bruce Jessiman, 60, publisher of the News-Searchlight, Bremerton daily. He died in a Seattle hospital yesterday, victim of a heart ailment.

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Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS DID you ever watch somebody light a long fuse leading to a carefully prepared blast and then stand, tense and expectant, waiting to see if the blast would go off with a loud and shattering boom or FIZZLE OUT?

IF SO, you can understand the situation existing when Al Smith arose in Washington on Saturday night to deliver his speech on the state of the nation.

It had been carefully and deliberately prepared. It had been long awaited. It had been widely advertised. By Saturday night, the whole country was waiting on tiptoe to hear it, to appraise it, to judge whether it was an epoch-making political utterance or just another disappointing dud.

IT WASN'T A dud. CONSIDER what happened on Saturday night. Al Smith, a lifelong Democrat, speaking with sincerity so obvious as not to be doubted, attacked savagely the vicious leadership of the party that has honored him in practically every way a party can honor a man. He charged:

1. That President Roosevelt obtained his high office under false pretenses by campaigning on a sound American platform and then, after election, ABANDONING the platform on which he had campaigned and causing to be enacted into law practically the SOCIALIST platform.

2. That he has seized the authority and the prerogatives of congress, forcing it, under "must" orders, to enact HIS laws.

3. That he has violated the constitution, and when called to account for his violations by the supreme court has JERRED at the supreme court and sought to weaken its authority.

THESE acts, Al Smith charged, constitute the first stages of DICTATORSHIP, and he added that this nation is now faced by the choice between "the clear, pure air of free America and the foul breath of communist Russia;" between "the Stars and Stripes and the red flag of the Godless nation of the Soviets;" between the "Star Spangled Banner and the Communist Internationale."

He concluded: "There can be only one victor. If the constitution wins, we win. But if the constitution— "Stop! Stop there! The constitution CAN'T LOSE. The fact is, it has already won but the news hasn't yet reached certain ears!"

AL SMITH'S speech on Saturday night marks a turning point in American political history. For a generation in this country the party system has been a joke. The two great parties have stood for nothing more than jobs and spoils and power. Voters have been Republicans or Democrats for no better reason than that their fathers were Republicans or Democrats before them. Since the issue of slavery was settled, there has been no issue between the parties in which people BELIEVED and for which they were willing to FIGHT.

Al Smith changed all that the other night, and gave to the nation an issue on which it can HONESTLY DIVIDE—the issue of free Americanism versus European radicalism. He minced no words in doing it.

Camping Vacation—Defying several feet of snow and frigid weather, William Oatman and Glen Crouse of this city hiked in to Ginnabar Springs several days ago for a camping vacation.

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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 January 28, 1926 W. F. (Togger) Bill, Isaac is elected vice-president of Oregon Cliothes Association.

World Court is adopted by the Senate. Heavy storms sweep Oregon 65aat. Muscolini starts war on jazz in Italy. Congress plans "prompt relief for corn-belt farmers."

Pussywillsow in bloom in all parts of the valley. Three new buildings to cost \$10,900 to be built here, and permits are taken out at city hall. Heavy wind sweeps city and valley. No damage.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY January 28, 1916 Three feet of snow lies on the ground at Prospect; coldest weather of year sweeps Northwest and upstate. Plan submitted to pipe Lithia water from Ashland to this city. Fruit inspection last year saved orchardists \$100,000 report shows. Many Jacksonville people attend "The Typhoon" at the Page, and a special midnight train was run on the Jacksonville railroad. German Zeppelins raid Paris at night. Medford, next to Portland, in the sale of Red Cross stamps in this state.

Face-saving is going to be deeply difficult, but not impossible. Note—Mr. Phillips also discovered in Berlin that the Hitlerites are concerned over the unfavorable press reaction they are continuing to get in this country. A number of minor Republican trainers from the hinterlands brought in their "dark horses" for the Liberty league dinner. Conversational beats were run at most of the parties upstairs. Likewise the lobbies of certain hotels occasionally resembled horse-races. No buying was reported. Probably none was expected. Trainers of dark horses are usually satisfied merely to have their horses mentioned "this early in the race. The budget caused little interest when it was originally submitted (January 6), but is arousing plenty now. Certain prominent new deal fiscal authorities are privately encouraging the hubbub, particularly the current thought of immediate new axes. That is a trail balloon. Mr. Roosevelt mentioned the 1932 case of Bailey vs. George when he commented critically on the supreme court decision in the rice millers case. Private lawyers here have dug up the Wallace decision, made by the court the very same day in 1922, contending it proves Mr. Roosevelt was wrong. No one can decide that except the supreme court, and it already has. There is some American Legion talk about backing Congressman Vinson of Kentucky for the senate next year, which indicates rewards available to legislators who support the bonus. The new deal neutrality bill is worrying a number of congressmen with large Italian-American populations in their districts. They do not know what to do. The theatrical trade magazine, Variety, lists the Republican radio skit, "Liberty at the Crossroads" as "second rate entertainment."

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