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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

Weather worriers have started to wonder if there will be any summer. It can be stated without fear of successful contradiction, there will be a summer—and how!

Tracy Boothby of the Red Blanket boasts a new colt, that arrived in his pasture, wobbly-legged, a week ago. The colt will some day be a Kentucky Derby winner, just like every baby boy will some day be president.

H. Flewler, the demon baker is training for the motor boat regatta, May 2. If he doesn't monkey around, or excessively with a screw-driver, or tear the engine apart, so nobody can put it back together again in time, Mr. F. should win a race, if he doesn't forget to fill the gas tank.

Hottelcurtula smudged Pri. am. and all the Older Girls who cleaned house, rejoice that they will have to do it over again, and again, and again.

Jackie Camp of Prospect is an honor student. He is in the 8th grade, and got five 1's, four 2's, and three 3's. He also arrived at school on time every day. Good work, Jackie!

The fair sex is reported to be turning up their noses at the police, because they can't park double, or too long. The police have been advised to use their authority, instead of making faces back at the offenders.

Con DeVore, the butcher who became a grandpa last week, is still off the ground, and full of rapture.

The Baptist church lawn has progressed to the point, where there is not the slightest doubt about what the harvest will be.

The Bates Boys have stuck new modern chairs in their chintz-parlour, that are so comfortable, the barbers don't want to get up and go to lunch when a customer comes in. The chairs would be a credit to Portland, if not San Francisco.

Spading is the order of the day in backyards.

A fish was caught in Rogue river Tues. pm. causing more conversation than if a whale had been harpooned from the Gold Hill bridge.

A representative last week said a circus would be here May 18.

Ray Mikache negotiated a birthday Pri. He would not reveal the number of years piled upon his shoulders.

Grande dinners are becoming as popular as the Brown Boys' sausage, with local eaters.

The 30th Infantry, U.S.A., was here Tues. and functioned like they were in charge of a special Chamber of Commerce committee. The band concert scheduled for 7 o'clock, did not have to wait for the trombone player to find his music rack. A number of citizens looked the regiment over, and said it resembled the one they were members of in 1917-18. No veteran followed the army off down the road. The Infantry travelled on its own gas tank—not its stomach, as reported.

The J. Kort Hall boy Seelye will be here today to eat home cooked chicken with noodles. He is a big bug of aviation.

Y. Brophy the cowman tamed Sat. He has been busier than the Jens Jensen bird, dog.

The Elks cat is limping, due to not getting out the door fast enough.

New suits and autos are quite plentiful as spring gets underway. Some of the gals are wearing their summer furs.

K. O. Martin vs. "Kid" Pierce

THE heated clash between Congressman Walter Pierce and Governor Martin, is what the sporting scribes would term a "natural." They only had to meet, to render the ensuing conflict inevitable, and irrepressible, as was the Civil War, in 1859.

For here are two vigorous men, in public life; advanced in years, but young in spirit; both honest, courageous, true to themselves; but as far apart in fundamental political philosophy, and temperament, as the north and south poles.

FORMER Governor Pierce, "Weeping Walter", the sentimentalist, as his once popular local title implies. He doesn't think things out, he feels them,—he feels them with all the spiritual ardor of the professional revivalist. To him the political world is nothing more than an old Morality Play, in which he invariably plays the role of the White Knight.

Politics is the age-long contest between the forces of darkness and light. Everything on one side is wicked and reprehensible, everything on the other is virtuous and undefiled and Walter needless to add, is one of the specially anointed leaders, on the side of purity and grace.

THIS is what our modern intelligensia would term Walter's credo—his ideology. And he has no other. Add to this considerable personal vanity, deep seated flair for drama, in which he must take a leading role, and you have the perfect opponent for Governor Martin, in particular, in any clash which involves Oregon's favorite brand of political dynamite, the issue of light and power.

CONGRESSMAN PIERCE'S justification for his attack on Governor Martin, in that Bonneville Dam inquiry, in which he charged, the governor represented the iniquitous power trust, while he represented, by implication, the poor farmers and the neglected workers of this great commonwealth, shows this clearly.

It was, in brief, this and nothing else:

"I only heard you talk about industry. I didn't hear you say anything about the farmers, etc., etc., etc."

Exactly!

Weeping Walter could no more appear in any public capacity without talking about his devotion to the farmers and workers,—the common people if you please, and his great devotion to them,—than he could sally forth for votes, in eastern Oregon, without a hearty handshake and his ten gallon hat.

That is his waving plume, his sword and buckler, his sacred covenant.

And ANY man in public life who DOES, is suspect. And when that same man has the temerity to take issue with Walter,—that suspicion becomes at once a conviction, Sir Walter is again entering the lists against the forces of iniquity and corruption,—i.e., he is fighting the Power Trust,—the battle is on!

AGAINST a less doughty and rugged antagonist, Weeping Walter might have gotten away with it, and then and there delivered his favorite speech against the detested Insull plunderbund and all its works. But Governor Martin knows that by heart,—and without any parleys out him short.

Said the governor:

"I represent the farmers and all the people of Oregon. I am not going to be put in the position of a lackey of the Chamber of Commerce. I resent that. It isn't true. You read the record and don't you go and misrepresent me!"

"I'll not" shouted Pierce, "I'll talk to the committee later."

And Walter will. Representative Honeyman, tried to have Walter, give his views then and there, in what she termed a preliminary statement. Not for a minute. "I will want an hour" cried Oregon's elder statesman. And he will. It's an hour's speech!

THE governor has no hour's speech. He can make one, but he doesn't like to hear himself talk. He is about the age of his opponent, and nominally they belong to the same party, but he is in principle and temperament Weeping Walter's complete antithesis.

Governor Martin has feelings—real and deep ones,—he is as devoted to the welfare and well being of the people of this state, as the eastern Oregon congressman ever thought of being, but he is not a demagogue and he is not a sentimentalist.

IN a matter like this, or any other concerning the welfare of this state, Governor Martin is a REALIST. He doesn't regard Bonneville dam as a political problem, but a business problem. He sees no point in dramatizing it, making table thumping speeches about it, or resolving it into a contest between the forces of darkness and the forces of light.

That strikes him as so much buncombe. He has as keen an interest in cheap power for the people of this state, as anyone, but he believes that to secure that cheap power, and render it permanent, Bonneville must first be made an industrial success. The rates must be such and the administration such, that it will not only reduce light and power rates for the people, but will attract new industries to Oregon, and place the entire project upon a sound, enduring and business-like basis.

He may be right in the details of his program, or he may be wrong. But in taking such a stand, there is CERTAINLY NO justification for accusing him of representing the Power Trust, the Portland Chamber of Commerce, Big Business, or any interest other than the public interest,—the welfare of the people—all the people—of this state.

CONGRESSMAN PIERCE would never have made that charge if he had thought about it. But as before stated, Walter doesn't think, he feels,—and when he is opposed on an issue of this sort, by anyone who doesn't do as Walter does, refuses to work himself into a froth about the iniquities of the power trust, whenever the subject is mentioned, he feels strongly.

And when anyone treads on the General's coat tail and implies that he is the hireling of this interest or some other,—believe you us,—the General feels strongly.

So as above stated this conflict was a "natural." If at any future time the boys in Washington want another battle of the century, all they have to do is rematch the Governor and ex-Governor of this state, and the S.R.O. sign will go up early.

Soil types vary significantly in their content of phosphorus, nitrogen and carbon. Pasture burning destroys which is an important factor in drought control.

Personal Health Service

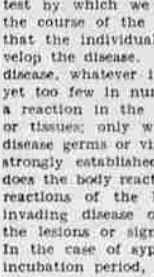
By William Brady, M.D.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the sixth of a series of seven articles on the Third Great Plague—syphilis—written by Dr. Brady, for this newspaper.

THE EARLY STAGE OF SYPHILIS
Article No. Six

The incubation period, in any infectious disease, such as scarlet fever or whooping cough, is the interval between the moment of infection or inoculation and the appearance of the first sign or symptom of the illness. In the case of scarlet fever the incubation period is short, usually from 38 hours to three or four days; in the case of whooping cough it is longer, from seven to ten days. During incubation the individual remains in his ordinary health and there is nothing to show and no test by which we can ascertain in the course of the incubation period that the individual is about to develop the disease. The germs of the disease, whatever it may be, are as yet too few in number to stimulate a reaction in the individual's blood or tissues; only when the invading disease germs or virus toxins become strongly established, well organized, does the body react, and the natural reactions of the body against the invading disease organisms explain the lesions or signs of the disease. In the case of syphilis the primary incubation period, from the moment of inoculation to the appearance of the hard sore or chancre at the point of inoculation, varies from two to five weeks. Then follows a secondary incubation period, from the time the chancre appears to the appearance of the general symptoms, which commonly resemble the onset of "grip," along with a skin rash (if any) which usually does not show about the face, and mucous patches in the mouth; the secondary incubation period is from three to six weeks.



Both incubation periods indicate that to a degree syphilis is a self-limited disease—that invasion of the tissues by the germs of syphilis induces natural reactions that tend to cure the disease. Certainly the syphilis we know today is less virulent than was the syphilis of times past, judging by the effects we see today and read about in historical medical works. Or perhaps the disease is as virulent as ever, but modern treatment plus better general hygiene today combine to render it less destructive.

If the patient is wise enough to go to a good doctor when the primary sore or chancre first appears, there is a good prospect of an immediate diagnosis, by the finding of the germs in a drop of serum from the sore, by examination with the darkfield microscope. At this stage the disease is still localized in the primary sore, not yet spread through

cup of tea for rounding in to one of these affairs. Don't look now, but that girl slightly ill is weaving my way. Yes, she sees me. Count on me to attract the party drunk. She niece coughs: "Ah, my noble dream"

That makes a fellow feel like a dash of lavender right off. No tea for this patootie. You could chin yourself on her breath. She wants to know if I'm "ilt-ry." And she's beginning to pick things off my coat lapel and get confidential. The coy sort. They cry, too. It won't be long now until she is in tears over the passing of her granduncle in the war of the rebellions or that I've hurt her feelings. I can lean against a wall, keep my mouth absolutely shut and hurt more feelings than any professional insulter that ever lived. It's a gift. I never miss.

I know it. She's turning up. I hope her mascara doesn't run. She says if I don't want to talk to her why not go on about my business. What do I think she is—a pick-up? And sniffs that's the trouble with a girl coming to a party unaccompanied. Some fresh squirt is always trying to get new with her. All of a sudden she decides to become haughty. Why should she be annoyed by such an insignificant nobody? She suggests I'm probably one of the hired butlers anyway. And with a headstuck makes an Ethel Barrymore exit. All alone again.

I wish they'd just let me go on with my leaning until it is time to

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Scarlet Fever.

The doctor says scarlet fever is conveyed only by the breath of the living person who has it. If this is so, all our burning of bedding and fumigating of the sickroom is wrong. —(P. E. B.)

Answer—Not by the breath, that is, not via or in the air, but the germ of scarlet fever is spread in the secretions from nose and throat and in the spray given off when the patient coughs, sneezes or talks. Isolation of the patient is the important factor in preventing the spread of scarlet fever. Of course burning things and creating smoke and steam is just an old folk custom. Surely no health authority today dares to perpetrate any such hocus-pocus as burning good bedding or fumigating rooms in residences.

Are You Stale?

I'd like to know just how to take an iodine ration which you suggested for moping children in their early teens and for young adults who feel stale and prematurely old.—(Mrs. W. L.)

Answer—Send stamped envelope bearing your address and ask for "Instructions for Taking Iodine Ration."

Have Some Honey.

Writer secures much information of value from your column. Also he enjoys it hugely. Why not dwell more on honey as a sweetener for food? Note you always specify sugar.—(H. C. L.)

Answer—It is always fine to use instead of sugar for sweetening if you like. Ounce of sugar yields 113 calories, nothing else. Ounce of honey yields 93 calories plus some calcium, phosphorus and iron.

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COMMUNICATIONS
The Dog Poisoner Again

To the Editor:

He was just two months old, and came to spend the winter, such a beautiful specimen, an aristocrat, insured, registered, highly prized, so trusting, and affectionate, King, the family pet, rejoiced at the companionship, patiently allowed the pup to chew his ears, pull his tail and otherwise behave as only a lively pup will.

What romps and races over the large fields, chasing squirrel and rabbit; what a happy life after the weeks spent in a city apartment.

Then the tragedy, both dogs always so kindly treated, trusting and confident, unused to treachery met the poisoner, the proffered food was gratefully accepted, eagerly eaten, and then the cruel agony, days in hospital, King, the older and stronger, still lives in pain and loneliness, but the beautiful loving and trusting pup has gone the way the fiend intended—a sad ending to his visit to the Rogue river valley, while the owner in Seattle mourns the loss of a true and loyal companion.

Sentimental—perhaps, better be a little sentimental than a poisoner of beautiful animals, comforters and protectors of the many sad and lonely.

A friend of the dogs.
(NAME ON FILE)

Washington, April 24.—(AP)—President Roosevelt proclaimed May 22 today as national maritime day. The action commemorates the sailing of the steamship Savannah from Savannah, Ga., May 22, 1819, on what was described in a congressional resolution as the first successful trans-Atlantic voyage under steam.

Flight 'o Time

Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
April 25, 1927
(It was Monday)

Epidemics now feared in Mississippi flood areas.

Heat wave sweeps entire state. Mercury here goes to 86 degrees. Eugene reports first straw hats, and Roseburg has low humidity.

Almea Semple McPherson, evangelist, gets her hair "bobbed", and congregation irked.

Mrs. Ruth Snyder and Henry Judd Gray go on trial in New York City for murder of woman's husband, for insurance money. Husband was hit in head with window weight, chloroformed, and strangled.

County clerk refuses to accept petition of Jacksonville citizens for another election on courthouse removal to this city.

Squabble over efficiency of Portland police arises, as crime wave grows.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY
April 25, 1917
(It was Wednesday)

British troops make long gains on western front; retreating Germans leave desolation and destruction.

Speculators holding eggs in storage to boost prices.

John W. Pernoil of the Applegate is recovering rapidly from an operation at Sacred Heart hospital, but it will be a week before he can go home.

Plot discovered to burn Medford Sash and Door factory. Pile of shavings found under the building. The firebug left his hat behind.

American liner Mongolia sings German U-boat off English coast. It was the first shot of the war for the United States, and came on the anniversary of the battle of Lexington.

America loans Great Britain \$200,000,000 for war purposes.

News Behind The News

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Canada Strikers Vote To Go Back

OSHAWA, Ont., April 24.—(AP)—General Motors of Canada strikers voted today to go back to work Monday. The vote was 2,205 to 98.

C. H. Millard, local president of the United Automobile Workers of America, announced the strikers, at a mass meeting, had voted to return to work under the terms of an agreement reached by their representatives. General Motors of Canada officials, and Premier Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario.

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