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Ye Smudge Pot

By Arthur Perry.

Heretofore, Spring has been more like Winter hereabouts. By way of change Spring is now more like Summer, hereabouts, or was when these words were written.

Ben. Borah of Idaho is dubious about the economy threats of the administration, and the ending of the "spending spree," and so on.

All Oregonians have seen much swinging by candidates of the age of economy, without whacking the taxes in two, per promise.

The open season on county judges has apparently started upstate. A recall petition has been launched against the Marion county official holding that position from this distance, his cardinal fault seems to be an inclination to spend money like Cooledge, rather than in the manner of a more abundant life New Dealer. The Salem Capital Journal cites an incident. A paluma clad citizen was lost in the timber, and found by the county judge, who gave him his lunch, and the correct directions. Now the estray voter appears as signer of the recall with the notation he has contributed financially to the movement. This, it is hinted, comes under the head of ingratitude. Even so it does not compare to a Jackson county sample. A gent entangled with the law, was paroled by a sympathetic judge. The next morning he attended a "law and order" meeting, and yelled louder than all the rest, for a rope with which to hang his judicial benefactor.

THE RETORT, COURTEOUS. (Geraldine (Mont) Review)

"Erwin Heydt and H. P. Perrin were called in town Saturday. Mr. Perrin looked over his old quarters at the Review office and remarked that the desk looked even worse than when he was here."

A controversy has started to simmer, about the whittled state of the statue of the pioneer, atop the new state capital building. There is some demand the figure grow a beard of 1882 proportions and design, and that the artist arm him with a double-bitted axe, instead of the picnic hatchet he now totes. There ought to be a suitable artistic ground for a facial adornment, somewhere between the reputed side-burns of Explorers Lewis & Clark and the modern nose-width mustachio.

"That Lawton Hamblin, principal of the Rock Creek school is driving a Terraplane coupe in the previous items from this community, was an error. The article should have said LaFayette coupe." (Rock Creek Items) — Just keeping the records straight.

The Mayor of Seattle warns labor not to rouse the public wrath, "or Heaven help them." There is little danger of the public getting mad, unless a way can be found to hit them in the pocketbook, and the bread-basket at the same time.

The ex-King of England, and his girl friends, after 22 weeks, are again holding hands. Their romance is very pretty and foolish.

"TIME A-WASTIN'."

"One sunny day last week, I was sitting by the open window, idly listening to the wireless, when I became aware of a dance being performed by a feathery little fly in the bright sunshine. Up and down, backwards and forwards, round and round, faster and slower, higher and lower, swinging and swaying the little dancer went, in perfect time, perfect rhythm, describing almost the movements of a conductor's baton, but always keeping approximately at a height of four feet from the ground. For about five minutes I watched this fascinating dance, wondering— (London Observer.)"

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Support Junior Symphony

AN appropriate event of music week will be the concert presented by the junior symphony of this city at the high school auditorium tomorrow (Wednesday) evening. To many citizens of this community the fact that Medford HAS a junior symphony will be a surprise. The organization of 65 student-musicians has not sought publicity up to this time; instead has striven during the past two years for a degree of perfection that would merit its recognition when it believed public appearances were justified.

We cannot think of a better time to lend moral and financial support to the junior symphony movement than music week. Sponsors of the organization feel that the 65 youngsters are now capable of providing credible musical entertainment and, rightly enough, are expecting a helping hand from a community that has always encouraged cultural movements, of local origin.

THE Medford junior symphony might well be known as the southern Oregon symphony as students from Ashland, Grants Pass and as far distant as Galice may be found in its membership. Music instructors here and in neighboring cities have cooperated in the task of teaching the students the specialized instruments and to John Knight, the director, goes deserved credit for coordinating their efforts into the finished product.

J. C. Meehan, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., recently told an audience in Portland that "youth is the biggest and most important business in the world" and "that today and tomorrow constitute an era of swift and dangerous transition."

Here the opportunity is afforded to enjoy a musical treat and by this very act lend encouragement to a worth-while youth movement. Certainly, the training of these youngsters in the junior symphony are receiving . . . the importance of teamwork (and teamwork is as essential to a musical organization as to a football team) . . . will make them better fitted for increasing obligations of citizenship.

To interest our youth in music today is to lay the foundation of a finer culture for generations to come . . . the high school auditorium should be well filled tomorrow evening for this unusual and interesting music-week event!—H. G.

Roosevelt Faces Crisis

WE hope it is NOT true, as reported, that President Roosevelt is still standing firm against any sort of compromise on his Supreme Court plan. For, while compromise with right is contemptible, compromise with method is often the highest sort of statesmanship.

"All government," said Edmund Burke, "indeed, every human benefit and enjoyment, every virtue and every prudent act, is founded on compromise and barter."

What is the Constitution, about which the present storm is raging, but a "bundle of compromises" with what each of the fifty-five "fathers" considered his ideal instrument? On at least three occasions in that fateful summer in Philadelphia the Constitutional Convention was deadlocked over what appeared to be irreconcilable conflicts. These historic compromises saved the convention—the Connecticut Compromise, between large and small States, which resulted in a bicameral Congress; the Three-fifths Compromise, which adjusted the quarrel between the North and South over taxation and the representation of slaves; the Commerce Clause Compromise, which adjusted the issue of State's rights at that time. Had it not been for the patience of Washington, the tact of Franklin and the long-range vision of the delegates, the young republic then in the making might have gone on the rocks.

HISTORIAN Beard called the Constitution "a mosaic of second choices accepted in the interest of union and the substantial benefits to flow from union." And today, as this older republic faces a troubled future, it is equally vital that its government accept second choices "in the interest of the union."

President Roosevelt is the leader of the forward-looking forces of the world. He has until now enjoyed the eager support of his own party and of the American masses in his program for a more workable civilization. His task is far from completed, and to complete it he must have the same sort of loyal backing that he has had in the past, both in and out of Congress. He stands to lose much of that priceless loyalty if he insists on driving through his original plan in the face of sincere and liberal opposition.

In the countries of the dictators "face saving" might be important to national morale. In a government like ours, where the people rule, compromise on means and method is not only honorable, but necessary to achieve the ends of reform.—San Francisco News.



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A personal fight as the supreme court issue.

The situation changes rapidly, but best thought at present is that the reorganization recommendations will be split four ways. This means four different bills will be presented. Leaders decided to cut it up, because if all the ideas were consolidated in one bill, the whole program would be defeated overwhelmingly. This way, they may save some of it. Here is what they have in mind:

Bill No. 1—Will extend the civil service to such agencies as Postmaster General Parley thinks have the proper New Deal complexion. This bill will tend to perpetuate the Parley dynasty and will probably pass.

Bill No. 2—Will give Mr. R. authority to set up two new departments and reshuffle government departments as he may desire—but it will have this joker: The interstate commerce commission and the Federal trade commission will be kept directly under congress and inde-

pendent of any cabinet members, or the president. Furthermore, the board of rivers and harbors will be kept where it is, in the war department. This is to keep Mr. Ickes from getting control of rivers and harbors work.

Bill No. 3—The comptroller general will remain independent of the treasury department, just as he now is. He may be given some other title, possibly that of financial check-er, but Mr. Roosevelt will not get control over him. This is definite. (Congressmen never liked Comptroller General McCar because he quibbled a lot about whether a man slept in an upper or lower berth or whether he should have charged the government for a pair of half-soles instead of a taxi, but he did a good job and they want another like him.)

Bill No. 4—This will give Mr. R. the authority and money to hire six new assistants. It is the one proposition which will go through congress whooping.

The political weakness of Mr. R.'s cabinet was never before mourned as much inside as during this supreme court packing contest. In the old days cabinet members generally controlled their state delegations in congress, to wit: Mellon and the Pennsylvania delegation.

Eight states now are represented in the cabinet. Of the 14 Democratic senators from these states, seven favor the court packing bill and seven oppose it.

Even with two cabinet members from New York, a well as the president and powerful Jim Farley, one of the New York senators, Copeeland, dates to be against.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D.

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FREEDOM OF THE BELLY

I hope the first galoot who breaks

his neck trying to turn an air spring

uses the dictionary people for de-

fining a somersault as a leap

in which a person turns heels

over head forward or back-

ward without touching the

ground with any portion of the

body. I roll 20

somersaults first thing every

morning, but I haven't attempt-

ed an air spring

for years. My advice to sedentary

folk who wish to keep their blood

from stagnating in the great splen-

etic pool is to roll a few dozen

somersaults, forward or backward

every day, but always keep in con-

tact with the floor. Nothing to be

gained by flying through the air

even if you used to do it with the

greatest of ease. Please be serious

about your somersaulting.

It is hoped also that our hypothe-

tical foreign correspondent would

say that when Webster finds a place

for cri and vite he will get these

words correctly defined and not mis-

lead a lot of people who wish to

be intelligent. And while the revis-

ing committee is going over the work

it might be a good time to scrap

the Victorian version of belly and

explain that since the gay nineties

it has not been necessary to confuse

belly with stomach or abdomen in

order to show your good breeding.

The stomach is one of the organs

contained in the body cavity called

the abdomen and is located on the

do. The belly is the front wall of

the abdomen, and there is no other

word for it in English.

The word belly is derived from an

Anglo-Saxon word meaning bellows.

In natural or normal breathing the

belly expands or practically inflates

with each inspiration or inhalation,

as tho it were a bellows. The elastic

bellows then helps to expel the air

from the lungs. On the elasticity or

tonus of the three layers of muscle

in the belly depends to a considerable

degree the individual's vital capac-

ity and longevity. The elasticity

or tonus of the bellows muscle de-

pends on the individual's life or nu-

trition, and on the freedom or re-

straint the individual's habits and

training or education give the belly.

The posture exhibited in caricature

by the musical comedy butler and

novelist, and when the latter arrives

for his seasonal stay Paris really be-

comes Gay Paree.

The hundred and one little open-

fronted drink stands that stipple

Broadway offer an economic prob-

lem to the owners when the fury of

winter is on. Their rents are high

and the cooling concoctions are not

in particular demand. Yet any num-

ber more than made their way by

ingenious methods when things were

a bit lull by serving 10-cent break-

fasts and lunches and 15-cent din-

ners. One notices a 10-cent break-

fast is an egg any style, slice of

toast, one strip of bacon and a cup

of coffee or milk. A 15-cent dinner

includes one of three kinds of soup,

spaghetti, coffee and a slice of cake.

Answer—I think it is harmless. But why take it? I believe you will get from milk and milk-products—skim milk, cheese, buttermilk, cream, butter—everything essential you can get from bone milk.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Genuine and Spurious May Fever.

I have always called this may fever,

at least it has all the earmarks, but

as my attack begins usually about

the first of March I suppose you

would say it is not genuine May F.

Answer—Some pollen begin to float

about in late February or early March,

even in the north Atlantic states—

for instance maple, elm, poplar, etc.

As a rule recurring trouble resembling

may fever but of irregular season,

say in December or January as well

as in the summer, is pollen, may be

in the air, is spurious. Either

genuine or spurious "may fever" is

based on the same constitutional de-

ficiency. Good prophylaxis and good

treatment in any case is a course of

six to ten times medication two or

three times a year, with calcium and

vitamin D. Send stamped envelope

bearing your address for detailed in-

structions.

Bone Meal.

I have been taking bone meal for

some time. One doctor says that this

is likely to damage the heart and

blood vessels in time. Another doc-

tor says it is harmless. J. L.

Answer—I think it is harmless. But

why take it? I believe you will get

from milk and milk-products—skim

milk, cheese, buttermilk, cream,

butter—everything essential you can

get from bone meal.

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NEW YORK Day by Day

by O.O. McIntyre

NEW YORK, May 4.—Gilbert

White's winter in New York again

strengthened his fame as a leading in-

ternational wit. For 20 years he has

made a villa near

Paris his base,

but his salons

are as well known

in London, along

the Riviera, in

Shanghai and

New York.

In appearance

he might be Wil-

liam Jennings

Bryan in a Latin

Quarter hat and

flowing tie, plus

a nervous energy

that suggests a

hockey team in

the last moment of

play. As a portrait

painter his sitters

included many of

the notables of England, France and

America.