

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

ONLY.

Only a banker,
Working away,
Laying up seeds
For a rainy day,
Shoveling dollars
Into the vault,
Hardly for dinner
Calling a halt,
Carelessly leaving
Millions around
With a contempt that is
Almost profound,
Handling checks
By the bushel or bale,
Having the world,
As we say, by the tail,
Coming to work
When the morning is spent,
Counting up profits,
So much per cent,
Closing up shop
With the profits produced
Long e'er the hour
When the hens go to roost,
Being the person
A fellow must see
When he is needing
An X or a V,
Sending for debtors,
Calling their bluff,
Only a banker,
But it's enough.

Who, indeed!

OH! I WISH I HAD MORE MONEY.



Plenty of money is to be desired, but who ever had plenty of money?

At the Critical Moment.
"You have a bad cough."
"An annoying one."
"Don't you know how to cure a cold?"
"Yes, except when I have one."

Retiring.
"I hate to tell the truth."
"Why?"
"Modest."
"Don't."
"Makes me so conspicuous."

Locating the Cause.
"I don't know where that boy gets his meanness!" exclaims the despairing mother as she went over in detail the latest antics of her young hopeful.
"Perhaps you are not very well acquainted with his parents," observed her sympathetic friend.



BEATEN TO A FRAZZLE—

The iceman when the wild winds of winter whistle a wistful welcome to Santa Claus' reindeer as their hoofs beat a joyful tinkle over the housetops and faraway, and so forth.

The gentle June zephyr when the young year stands in the glowing Yuletide with yesterday fading in the background, yielding, bending a listening ear to the yodeling of the days to be.

The motor car as it stands deserted and lone and listens while the four footed steed gives it the horse laugh and the aviator gracefully aviates above in the cerulean blue or any preferred tint of the same.

Kaiser Wilhelm as he stands and listens to the populace daily committing lese majesty and wistfully wonders what has become of the offensive and defensive alliance betwixt and between "me und Gott."

The Duke Abruzzi as the tentative American millions grow vague and shadowy and the clamoring army of creditors gently and firmly forge to the center of the stage.

Your pocketbook, your bank account, your credit, when the merry, merry days of Yule have fled and the New Year festivities have flown and you meet up with the stern accounting of an unfeeling bookkeeper and an equally unfeeling bill collector.

Your personal pride when you look over the Christmas remembrances that your dotting friends have sent you and realize what their estimate of you must be.

Cold storage eggs when the hens begin to lay.

Tentative.
"Are you engaged, Miss Nancy?"
"Well, not so that you could notice it if—"
"If what?"
"A more desirable man should propose."

Reason For His Faith.
"Do you believe in signs?"
"Of course I do. I see a sign patent."

NOBODY KNOWS WHY—

A man invariably looks self conscious when the good qualities of his offspring are being discussed and held up for admiration and approval and looks reproachfully at the mother of the same when the same gets vicious.



A dimple in her chin is worth more to a girl than a whole term of domestic science.

A married man always says to his wife "What is that?" no matter what the kind, quality, origin or nature of the thing causing the inquiry, no matter how obvious or how mysterious its reason or purpose. Many thoughtless married women give flippant answers—see South Dakota.

Broken Spell.
The finding of a horseshoe
Along a dusty way
Brings good luck to the finder.
I've heard the wise ones say,
A case of rare good fortune
As mortal ever struck,
I'd rather find a dollar
And buy my own good luck.

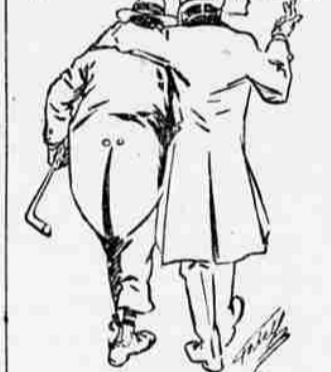
These ancient signs and tokens
That in the long ago
Worked magic just as easy
As hoboes shovel snow
Are not at present writing
So certain to produce
As sales of ready money
Assorted and turned loose.

The finding of a horseshoe
In modern times will bring
A trifle from the junk man—
Perhaps a ball of string—
But put it on a horse race
Or any scheme at hand
Without the aid of money
And see where it will land.

They used to think it easy
To nail one to the door
A fortune that had vanished
To carefully restore,
But now we do not bother
With junk and such old trash.
We buy our luck serenely
With good and ready cash.

Only Resemblance.
"Let us be thankful the holdup men do not call their work a religious ceremony."
"How could they?"
"Don't they take up a collection?"

Many "Easy Marks."
OH SURE YOU STICK BY ME, BOY—BE YOU'LL HAVE TO SEE!



Sometimes it is shameful to deceive—it is so easy.

South American Improvement.
A bloodless revolution
Is quite the latest fad.
The poorest child can ride it,
And persons who have tried it
Will use no other kind.

Her Little Present.
The vessel touched at Halifax, and several of the sailors went ashore.
"This looks like a fine town," said Jack. "I feel right at home."
"Maybe you were raised here," said his companion.
"No, I never saw the place before, but I own the town."
"How does that happen?"
"My wife gave it to me before I left home."

Already Strained.
"Looks like a strong case against him."
"So we must presume him innocent until he is proved guilty."
"I know that is the right thing to do, and I would like to, but I can't."
"Why not?"
"I broke my prisoner on some bar glass that snatched into my house."

Genuine Article.
"How do you like your boardin' house?"
"Oh, we live on the fat of the land, 'I can't understand it at the price."
"Well, you see the bulk of the fat we get consists of oligomerization."

GOVERNOR HANLEY WARNS LEGISLATURE FOR LAST TIME

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 13.—"I am aware there are some who already have peeped, but I beg to remind all those who contemplating its repealing that it is the law of the land in the present machinery of this commonwealth, and is charged with enough electricity to electrify the party that opposes it." In these words Governor Frank Hanley in his final message to the legislature of Indiana, delivered today, closed his appeal in behalf of temperance, offering figures tending to show that a majority of crime, pauperism, epilepsy and poverty are due to alcohol.

Her Economy.
"Wish I were a meynaid."
"Why do you wish that?"
"Matter of economy."
"Explain."
"Well, wouldn't have to buy any shoes nor hats."
"I see."
"And then I look awfully well in green."

Good Advice.
"What is the matter with that fellow?"
"Oh, he's out of his head."
"Can't the doctor do anything for him?"
"No."
"Try the plumber."

One Added.
"I suppose a cat really has nine lives."
"Yes; it has all of that, not including the one that it lives later on as an expensive sealskin muff."

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

About all the good some people do consists in getting in the way of pestiferous people and taking their attention and so saving some of the rest of us.

Anything that makes a disturbance like a meat ticket won't find that it will be able to escape notice these balmy holidays.

The man who will invent a furnace that will keep the house warm in the morning without anybody excreting it will be a benefactor to his race.

Whether it is better to bear the ills we have than to fly to others depends upon whether they consist of \$5000 jobs or a choice assortment of toothaches.

After passing a pleasant half hour chatting with some people you sometimes suddenly feel as if you would be the better for some sort of mental disinfectant.

FOR MY WORD, BABY, I CAN'T.



A rich daddy is more to be desired than a titled husband and often outlasts the latter.

Don't expect too much of your friends. It may be that much of their active energy is taken up with wondering just what you are going to do for them.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—President Roosevelt today signed a pardon for William Davis, a bookmaker of New York. Davis agreed to test the book-making laws in the District of Columbia, was arrested at the Jennings race track and was sentenced to one hour in jail. Davis applied to the president for a pardon, in order that he should not be compelled to forfeit his right to vote and hold office.

MAY PROVE FATAL.

When Will Medford People Learn the Importance of It?

Backache is only a simple thing at first; But when you know 'tis from the kidneys; That serious kidney troubles follow; That diabetes, Bright's disease may be the fatal end.
You will gladly profit by the following experience.
'Tis the statement of a Medford citizen.

Mrs. C. H. Hoxie, corner F and Second streets, Medford, Or., says: "I had kidney trouble for several years, the disease gradually becoming more serious until my general health was much run down. My back ached a great deal and if I attempted to stoop or lift I suffered severely. I had headaches and would be lame and stiff, upon arising in the morning. I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, which I procured at Haskin's drugg store, and in a short time the trouble vanished. I am now entirely well and owe the great change to Doan's Kidney Pills."
For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Prepaid Railroad Orders.

"Something which is of considerable interest to the public generally and which is perhaps not generally known is the system of prepaid orders now in effect between stations of the Southern Pacific company and all points in the United States. By means of this system tickets may be purchased at Medford from any place in the United States and mailed or telegraphed direct to the party wishing to come here. Sleeper accommodations and small amounts of cash in connection with these tickets may also be forwarded at the same time."

City Treasurer's Notice

Office of City Treasurer, Medford, Oregon, Jan. 13., 1909: Notice is hereby given that there are funds in the city treasury for the redemption of all outstanding warrants issued against the Street and Road fund.
Interest on the above will cease after the above date.

L. L. JACOBS, City Treasurer. 257

Medford Time Table

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY.		
Northbound		
No. 16 Oregon Express	5:24 p. m.	
No. 14 Portland Express	9:49 a. m.	
Southbound		
No. 15 California Express	10:35 a. m.	
No. 13 San Francisco Exp.	3:20 p. m.	
No. 225 From Grants Pass	9:15 p. m.	
No. 225 For Ashland	10:15 p. m.	

PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILWAY

No. 1 Leaves Medford	8:10 a. m.
No. 3 Leaves Medford	2:50 p. m.
No. 2 Arrives Medford	10:23 a. m.
No. 4 Arrives Medford	5:08 p. m.

ROGUE RIVER VALLEY RAILWAY

No. 2 Leaves Medford	10:45 a. m.
No. 4 Leaves Medford	5:35 p. m.
Motor Leaves Medford	2:00 p. m.
Motor Leaves Medford	9:00 p. m.
No. 1 Leaves Jacksonville	9:00 a. m.
No. 3 Leaves Jacksonville	3:30 p. m.
Motor Leaves Jacksonville	1:30 p. m.
Motor Leaves Jacksonville	7:30 p. m.

MAIL CLOSES

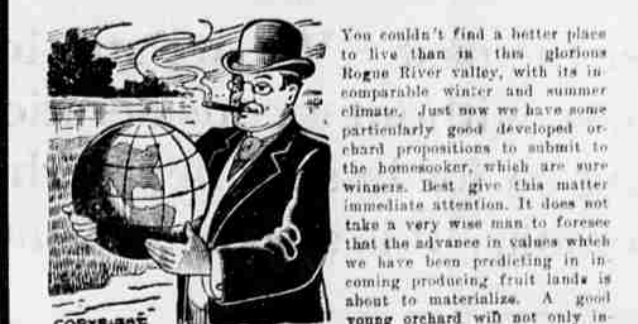
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Northbound	9:19	4:54
Southbound	10:05	2:50
Eagle Point	7:20	2:00
Jacksonville	10:20	5:20

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PRICE 35c

THE LOUVRE

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS.

In the district court of the United States for the District of Oregon.
In the matter of J. A. Stevens, A. A. Stevens and D. A. Bonar, as the Jackson County Lumber Company, bankrupt.
In bankruptcy:
To the creditors of:
J. A. Stevens, A. A. Stevens and D. A. Bonar, as the Jackson County Lumber Company, of Oregon, in the county of Jackson, and district aforesaid, a bankrupt.
Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of December, A. D. 1908, the said J. A. Stevens, A. A. Stevens and D. A. Bonar, as the Jackson County Lumber Company, was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of its creditors will be held at Medford, in Jackson county, Oregon, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1909, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
JOHN S. ORTH,
Referee in Bankruptcy.

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