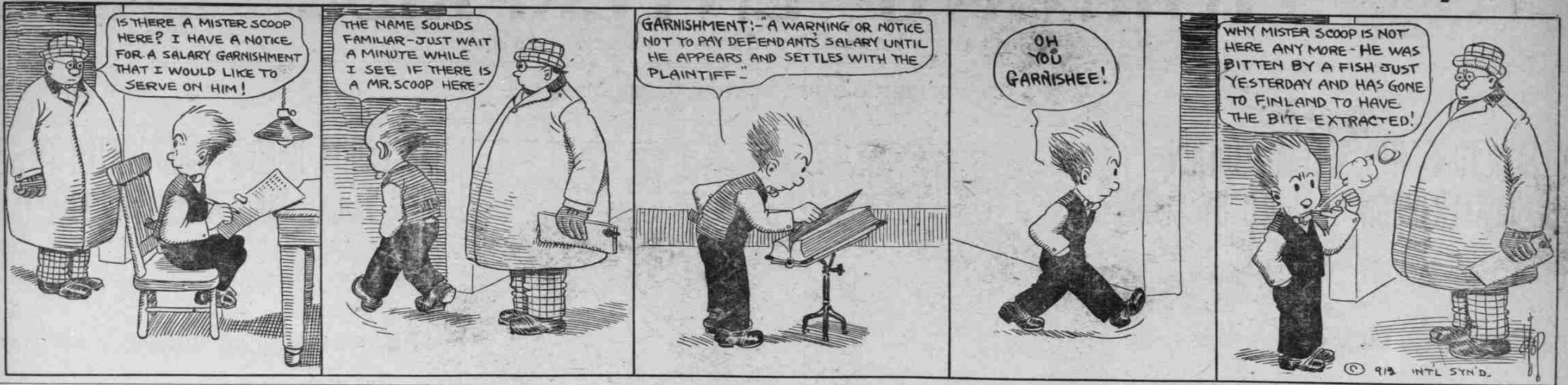


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Evidently Scoop Bought Too Many Xmas Presents

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Dec. 29 In American History.

1778—A British force led by Colonel Campbell captured Savannah, Ga. over a stubborn defense by colonials under General Robert Howe.

1812—The United States frigate Constitution, commanded by Commodore William Bainbridge, captured the British frigate Java off San Salvador. The action lasted over one hour. The Java was dismantled and lost 600 killed and 101 wounded out of a total of 400 men.

1896—Battle of Wounded Knee Creek between Sioux hostiles and United States soldiers.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

(From noon today to noon tomorrow, Sun sets 4:42, rises 7:24. Evening stars: Venus, Saturn. Morning stars: Mars, Mercury, Jupiter.

HIGH COST OF LIVING

After the freight had been paid, and the commission man's percentage deducted, an eastern farmer received a little over 30 cents a bushel for the Lima beans he raised this season. He went to the market town a few days later, and in a spirit of curiosity, traced his beans to one of the big retailers. There he found his 30 cent beans selling at 15 cents a quart, which figures out \$4.50 a bushel. A recent magazine article says that the farm products raised in this country last year brought the farmers about \$13,000,000,000 for it. Some where between the farmer and the ultimate purchaser the price was doubled, and a billion dollars slapped on to make a god job of it.

Of course, there is a legitimate selling and manufacturing expense, and a legitimate profit for all necessary middlemen, but the proportion noted above is colossal robbery. So far the consumer is leaving it all to the law, and in a measure to the farmers, but there will never be any effective redress until the consumer takes matters into his own hands, and evolves a system of marketing which shall do justice to the grower and yet give the people the benefit of the big harvests for which our country is famous. Good or bad harvests effect the city dweller mightily little. Farmers' combinations, brokers, commission men and others, all unite to keep up high prices, and gouge the ultimate consumer.

BLISSFUL IGNORANCE

Benjamin De Casseres is the author of an article in the St. Louis Mirror, which is being commented upon widely. The sophistry will be apparent to the average thinker, and most of us will recognize an attempt to outdo Bernard Shaw. Nevertheless, the article in question is brilliant to a degree, and is especially interesting as showing how plausible an argument may be built up on inverted facts. He maintains that the price of knowledge is disillusionment, which of course is partly true, but he goes on to argue that education and sophistication often lead to unhappiness, imperfection and anarchy, and draws the absolute conclusion that "Curiosity, which is a sword in the hands of the hardy, is ultimately a destructive force to the race at large." This of course is nothing else but Von Hartman's "The Philosophy of the Unconscious."

Naturally enough, Mr. Casseres maintains that credulity and ignorance are the real bases of civilization, "progress" and happiness. "Ignorance," he says, "is beneficial. Ignorance makes life possible. Our veils make us happy; our fears bar out the winds of doubt." He goes on to argue:

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BEST WATER TO BE HAD FOR \$100,000

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the valley cities with water from Clear Lake, east of Eugene it would seem that pure water could be brought much more cheaply into the city by tapping the Bull Run pipe rather than to bear the heavy expense of extending the State water line from Salem to Oregon City. It is estimated that it would cost between three and four hundred thousand dollars to pipe the water from Salem to Oregon City while it would probably take at least five years to get the water into the city from Clear Lake, so great is the undertaking. Bull Run water could be piped into the city within a year. As a great advertising feature few will doubt that pure water is as great a boon as a town can receive and one has only to look to Portland, the fame of whose water has spread over the entire globe. Another fact which may seem trivial until investigated is that pure water is a great aid to temperance. One has but to notice the signs in various saloons advertising the use of beer instead of water on account of its greater pureness.

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Questions for Dec. 29

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