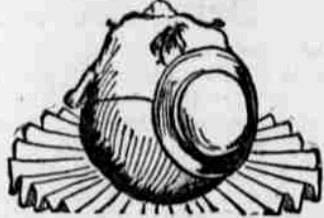


# ON THE FUNNY SIDE



## FUNNY LITTLE SCOTCH YARN

**Eccentric Old Kiltie Is Eager to Show Son He Came From Better Family Than the Youngster.**

Here is a little Scotch story, told merely to put you in good humor. In a little Canadian town near Toronto, where the population is half Scotch, Johnnie Walker runs the general store. Hugh Walker, his father, an eccentric old Kiltie, is fond of a wee drapple, and on occasions has been known to indulge in a wee drapple tae muckle. On one of these occasions he found himself denied admittance to the store, nor could all his pleadings soften Johnnie's heart. It took some time for the situation to sink into him, but finally convinced that his ain kith and kin would have nane o' him, he turned away with tears in his eyes.

"It's an outrage!" he expostulated, shaking his fist. "Ye ken Johnnie Walker? He's ma ain son, but I'll show him I come frae a better family than ever he came frae."

### Some Satisfaction.

Mrs. Murphy's husband was extremely ill, so she called the doctor and then anxiously inquired as to the sufferer's state.

"I am sorry to say, madam," replied the doctor gravely, "that your husband is dying by inches."

"Well, docther," said Mrs. Murphy, with an air of resignation, "wan good thing is my poor husband is six feet three in his socks, so he'll last some time yet."

### Luxurious Lad.

"Senator, could you get my son appointed to West Point?" asked the multimillionaire.

"Certainly. Tell him to pack up and get ready to start."

"Oh, would he have to go in person?"

"How else?"

"I thought maybe he could arrange to take the course by mail."

### More Required.

Your candidate is making some wonderfully clever and amusing speeches."

"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum, thoughtfully, "but this country is working around to a point where there isn't near as much enthusiasm about electing a man simply because he is good company."

### Merry Party.

"What was that party you voted with years ago?"

"You mean the one with all the strange an' interestin' ideas?" asked Farmer Cornstossel.

"That describes it."

"I danna. It was jes' one of these political surprise parties somebody's always gettin' up."

### Closely Related.

"Let's go to the show," said the fat plumber.

"What is it tonight?" the thin carpenter inquired.

"'Damaged Goods.' Ever see it?"

"No," the thin carpenter answered, "but I once saw 'The Auctioneer,' and the two are pretty closely related, I imagine."—Youngstown Telegram.

### NOT A SUFFRAGETTE.



He—What would women do with the franchise if they had it?  
She—What's a franchise?

### Youthful Chemist.

"What are you doing with those matches, Cyril? Leave them alone at once!"

"Why, I'm just trying if pussy is real tortoiseshell or only celluloid."—London Opinion.

### Pretty Bad.

"Helen is some talker, isn't she?"  
"Rather. When she wants to express her sentiments she has to use the parcel post."

## JUST KEEP ON FEEDING HIM

**Secret of Keeping Father Happy and the World Moving Is Really No Secret at All.**

"How to keep husbands" is coming to be a more important subject with magazine writers than "How to get husbands."

Ninety-nine times out of 100 a husband can be kept by feeding him. When he comes home tired, feed him; when he finds fault with things, feed him; when he complains about business or the weather, feed him; when he has the blues about the hopes of the home team, feed him; when he laments the poor quality of the last set of tires, feed him; when he's cross, feed him; when he's angry, feed him; when he's sick, feed him; always feed him.

No husband who waddles or stalks into his home of evenings, tired, worried, disgusted, half angry, out of sorts, can remain so after he has filled up on a juicy steak and warm pumpkin pie. No husband will object to the pranks of the children that have torn his magazine, or lost the sporting section of the evening paper, when he has had a good supper. No husband will go to his work with the blues if he has had the right kind of breakfast.

When great deeds are to be done the well-fed men must be depended upon to do them; when great ideas are to be thought out, men with satisfied stomachs are the ones to think them; when skill is demanded, when strength is required, when intelligence is needed, it is the well-fed men who come forward to fill the demands.

On the eve of a great battle either for his country or for his personal welfare, the conqueror is the man who eats good food and then marches forth to victory. Depend upon it, feeding the men of the world is as much a social as an economic problem and the women upon whom it devolves to feed their husbands, by doing it not only keep their husbands, but keep the world moving.—Wilmington, Del., Journal-Republican.

### He Left the Book.

He entered the street car with a parcel in his hand, and as he sat down he placed it at his back.

"Book?" queried the man at his left.

"Yes."

"Taking it home to read this evening?"

"Yes."

"The man with the book looked at the other in a queer way for half a minute and then said:

"Did you want to see the book?"

"Oh, no, I'll take it home with me, you see!"

"But I can't loan it to you."

"No need to; you'll leave it in the car!"

"Oh, I see. Well, I shan't leave it."

He reached for the book and laid it on his knees, but after riding three blocks more he worked it behind him again and became interested in the woman opposite. The first thing he knew he was carried a block past his corner. He suddenly started up and skipped out, and as he went the man who had been talking to him reached back for the book and chuckled:

"Told him he'd leave it behind and I'd take it home!"

But the book wasn't there. The woman beside him had already gobbled it, and as it rested on her lap she stared straight out of the opposite window and never moved a muscle when he growled out:

"That's a blank of a game!"—Collier's.

### Two Debts to Be Remembered.

Sir Thomas Lipton's grocery firm is in trouble in England, the war of office accusing it of bribing canteen quartermasters to push its groceries in the army canteens.

A Chicago grocer, apropos of this, said the other day:

"Lipton was a great friend of the late King Edward's."

The grocer winked.

"Lent him money, you know. That's how he got his knighthood."

"Well, they say that King Edward once invited Lipton to a very smart dinner party at Sandringham. The queen, hearing of the invitation, took the king to task.

"The idea," she said, 'of inviting a nouveau riche grocer like that! Think what you owe society!'"

"But think, my dear," the king chuckled, 'think what I owe Lipton.'"

### All Honor to the 'Safety Firsts.'

Professor Perkins of the University of Manchester, England, after years of experiment has just found a way to make cotton cloth fireproof, and this without injuring either its appearance or its wearing quality. Before the association of cotton manufacturers, held the second week in October, 1913, the professor exhibited some specimens of his cloth that had been washed at least ten times since being treated and had been in actual use two years. After repeated trials it was found impossible to make the pieces of cotton burn. This invention is very important because it is expected to save many lives. Girls in factories have been frequently burned to death by their clothes made of light cotton fabrics catching fire.

### Evidently Not Income Tax Payer.

A burglar captured in the Joseph T. Bird home the other night had \$1,700 worth of plunder in his possession.

"To get half that amount of plunder at my house," remarked Sackville McKnut, "the burglar would have to use three moving vans and take every thing I have, including the furnace."

—Kansas City Star.

# FARM AND ORCHARD

**Notes and Instructions from Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations of Oregon and Washington, Specially Suitable to Pacific Coast Conditions**

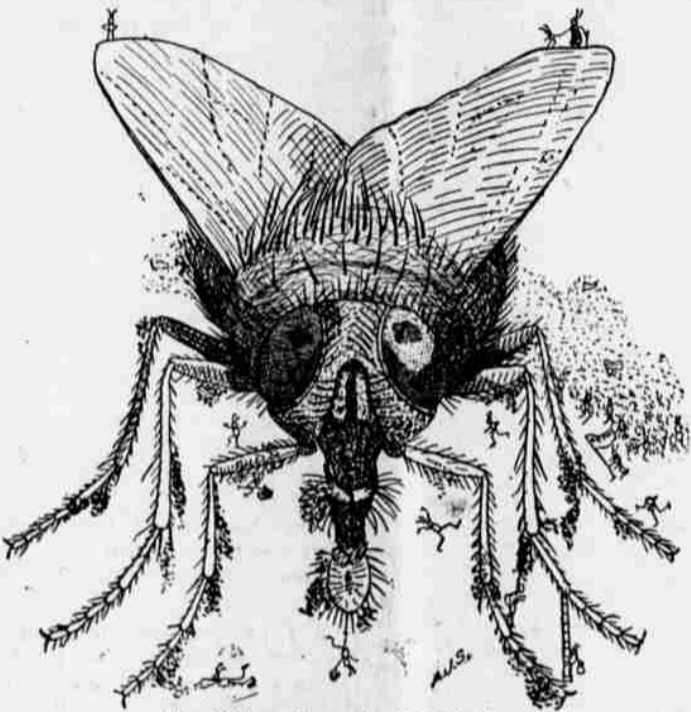
## College Gives Directions for Swat-the-Fly Campaign

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis.—Instead of waiting for the flies to gain entrance into the house before systematic attempt is made to eradicate the fly nuisance, the new method outlined by the Entomological department of the college seeks to destroy the fly before it reaches the house at all. The two general methods by which this is to be accomplished are doing away with breeding places and by catching the flies that do emerge before they have a chance to lay their eggs.

The first is considered to be by far the most important. In carrying it

brought to the attention of the chamber of commerce and an effort made to get them to enact such ordinances as are necessary to secure a complete cleaning up. It is recognized that while a large majority of the progressive citizens of any community will perform this cleaning up work when the necessity for it is pointed out, it is also well to consider that there are a few persons living in almost every community who will not do so until they are compelled by law, and in order to make the plan a success it has to be complied with without exception.

The next step is to secure funds for carrying out the plans. Money is needed to buy campaign literature, award



The Major General of Filth Army.

prizes for the best kept premises, etc. The local stores are then visited and the dealers urged to handle efficient but cheap fly traps, early in the season, in order to catch the flies that hibernate. Each one destroyed at that time leaves thousands less to combat later. Good traps well handled have great value but they need constant attention.

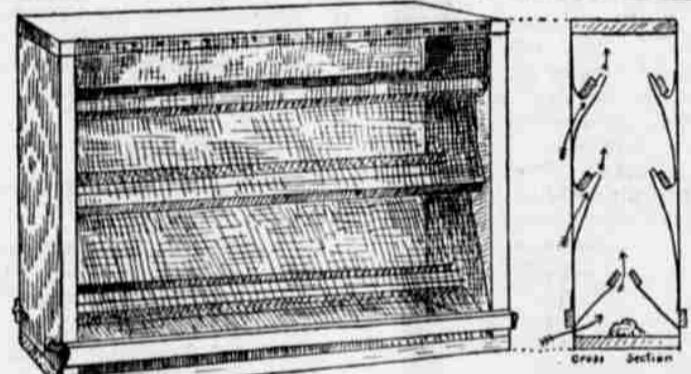
While most emphasis is laid on preventive measures in the college bulletin, other methods of eradicating the fly are explained and recommended. Among these measures are the use of traps, poisons and sticky fly paper.

Designs for traps for outdoor and indoor use and for window use in the screened barns are shown by drawings and photographs. These traps are of simple construction and can be bought cheaply in modified forms in the market. The inside traps consist of a short narrow cone-shaped screen, wide at the bottom with a small opening at the top. A large outer screen

encloses the smaller. The outer screen is set a slight distance above the base of the inner where bait is placed. The flies are attracted by the bait, enter the opening between the traps and climb or fly upward toward the light. This takes them through the opening in the small screen into the space enclosed by the large screen where they may be easily killed. The window trap consists of a series of screened compartments into which the flies enter by narrow passages until they reach the large chamber where they may be destroyed.

The flies that have succeeded in gaining an entrance into the house in spite of all these precautions may be destroyed readily by any one of the following methods:

1. Twenty drops of carbolic acid are put on a hot shovel or similar utensil. The rising vapour will destroy the flies in an ordinary room.
2. A little pyrethrum paper burned in each room will stupefy the flies so that they may be swept up and burned.
3. One dram chromate of potash dissolved in two ounces of water with a little sugar added put into shallow dishes and placed about the room serves as a good poison.
4. A few drops of formaldehyde added to a small quantity of sweet milk and placed in small dishes about the room is also very effective.



No. 3 Stable Window or Outdoor Flytrap.

These campaigns may be organized along two general lines: First, by educational methods by means of lectures, bulletins, newspapers, public schools, and civic improvement clubs; second, by legal regulation of city or county which prescribes proper disposal of garbage, manure heaps and litter, and provides for proper sewage connection.

It is pointed out in the bulletin that both of these plans have been used in most of the unusually successful anti-fly campaigns conducted in the eastern and southern cities. Necessarily the educational part of the work should precede the legal in order to create sufficient community interest to secure the latter and make it effective. While details must vary with the varying circumstances of different communities the following plan is recommended in the exact or some modified form:

First, an executive committee of five or seven persons is formed through the club to formulate plans. The larger organization is then formed including all who are interested and wish to become members. Local newspapers are then interested and the libraries are asked to classify newspaper and magazine articles on this subject and place them at the disposal of the reading public. The matter is next

### No Lie.

First Wanderer—I pay my rent by the quarter now, Bill.

Second Ditto—G'wan! What are you giving us?

First—That's straight—25 cents a night.

### Doing Her Part.

"Will you join our hike from Chicago to Washington?"

"I'm willing to hike," responded Mrs. Womat, "but I couldn't go that far from home. I'll walk around the block 500 times."

### An Ear to the Ground.

"Some of your constituents are disagreeing with you," said the trusted lieutenant.

"Well, keep tab on them," replied Senator Sorghum. "When enough disagree with me to constitute a reliable majority I'm going to turn around and agree with them."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The towers of the Panama cathedral are roofed with pearl shell, which reflects the sunlight so that it can be seen far out at sea.

## SNAKE FOUND SNUG HAVEN

**Nest of Brooding Pullet, With Its Agreeable Warmth, Some Attraction for This Rattlesnake.**

Winstead, Conn., has unblushingly delegated to a stray feline the job of mothering the town's surplus rats; the environs openly boast denizens who take oath to the fondness of a feminine canine for an orphaned litter of kittens, but Woods, S. D., steps right up to the Bible and swears that "Dakota hens have taken a fancy to rattlesnakes."

The snake hasn't been displayed in the town's corner grocery, but the citizens of Woods testify to the veracity of this yarn related by Mrs. John Hauer, wife of a homesteader residing six miles out of the village:

Hatching time was due in the unpretentious henry operated by Mrs. Hauer. Naturally she was interested, what with chicken feed at the high tide of cost and 14 perfectly good eggs stored beneath the biddy's sheltering wings.

Mrs. Hauer deftly encased her hand in the folds of her apron and inserted it beneath the clucking pullet in expectation of its bringing to light species of the yellow, new-born chick. Instead, she drew forth a rattlesnake.

Naturally, she admits, it couldn't have been a real healthy rattlesnake—in fact, it might have been decrepit



Instead, She Drew Forth a Rattlesnake.

and fangless from age, and merely covetous of a life of comfort and warmth far removed from the danger of sundry club-armed youths and man's noisome and uncomfortable firearms. She didn't wait to inquire—for she fainted and the snake departed.

### Napoleonic Survivor at 106.

Versailles boasts of a Napoleonic survivor in the person of a centenarian, M. M. Schamel-Roy, who recently celebrated his one hundred and sixth birthday. He is the son of a grenadier of Napoleon's Grand Army, and was born at Versailles while the battle of Friedland was fought in 1807. As his father, after retiring from the army was a gardener at Versailles attached to the chateau, the son, when five or six years of age, often saw the little king of Rome in the gardens, and sometimes even played with him. M. Schamel-Roy declares that he distinctly remembers the little prince as he used to see him in the gardens at Versailles, and, of course, also Napoleon. When he grew up he learned the tailoring trade, and later on became the official costumer at the Theater Francaise. In that capacity he got into touch with most of the theatrical celebrities of France for more than half a century between 1830 and 1880, and he also knew many of the famous singers at the opera.

### Barred X-Ray Photographs.

In Ligon vs. Allen in the court of appeals of Kentucky it was held that in an action against a doctor for malpractice in connection with the treatment of a broken arm X-ray photographs of the arm were not admissible where a witness merely stated that he took the photographs without stating that they correctly represented what he saw or how they were taken or that he had ever taken such photographs before or knew anything about how they ought to be taken and without giving any assurance as to the character or accuracy of his X-ray machine or of its condition or working order, since photographs are admissible merely as pictorial communications of a qualified witness who uses this method of communication instead of or in addition to some other method, and are not admissible without a competent witness's oath to support them.

### Honest.

A story is told on a young man who was married recently to the daughter of a wealthy merchant. The bridegroom did not have a cent, but he made up for lack of wealth in honesty. He was so very honest that he would not even prevaricate in the marriage ceremony.

He was repeating what the minister said: "With all my worldly goods I thee endow."

"With all thy worldly goods I me endow," repeated the young man. Maybe it was a slip of the tongue, still it would be hard for honesty to go much further.

### An Uplift.

"You are in favor of the uplift, of course?" said the philanthropist.

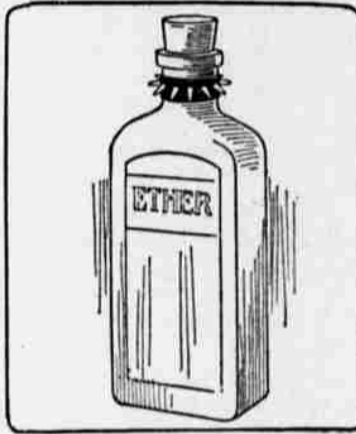
"Sure I am," replied Mr. Dustin Stax. "Let's get together and raise the price of everything!"

# SCIENCE and INVENTION

## GUARD FOR POISON BOTTLES

**Flexible Spiked Band Gives Unmistakable Warning to Any Person Handling Deadly Vial.**

The safety-first campaign which is being urged on every hand finds a quick response in devices to make accidental mistakes in handling poisonous substances less frequent, if not impossible, says Popular Mechanics. One poison signal is shown herewith, in which a rubber band, armed with small rubber spikes projecting from



For Poison Bottles.

it, is placed about a bottle, round or square boxes or packages in which poisonous substances are offered for sale or distribution, giving an unmistakable warning to any person picking up or handling it. The band is very flexible and there is sufficient elasticity in the rubber of which it is made to allow it to be placed about bottles of various sizes and shapes.

## CAUSE OF IMPAIRED HEARING

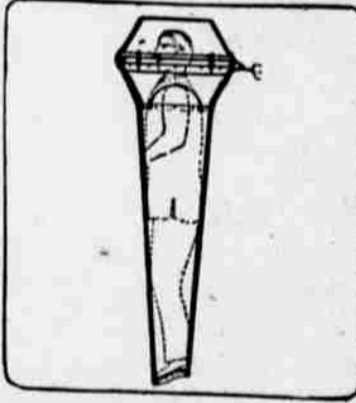
**Found by Dr. Albert Barnes of New York to Be Chiefly Due to City Noises Which Irritate Ear.**

Ear-strain, producing greatly impaired hearing, is found by Dr. Albert Barnes of New York to be very prevalent, and to be chiefly due to city noise, which irritates the ear much as dazzling light affects the eye. The acuteness of hearing may be lessened for years without giving serious trouble. Nervous women and people from the country suffer most from ear-strain, and shoppers often get a distressing headache and a feeling of uneasiness and irritability that may last for days. Even the healthy ear is not wholly proof against noise, boiler-makers and workers amid rattling machinery eventually becoming partially deaf. After a time the sufferer from ear-strain notices a ringing in the ears, and this is particularly distressing, especially at night and when the person is tired. Diseased tonsils or adenoids neglected in childhood may lead to ear-strain. Snuffing salt water or medicated fluid up the nose may have effect, and changeable weather and mental strain are contributing causes. Bringing noise and throat to a healthy condition is a step toward relief, but rest is most needed, and this is best obtained by a few days of recuperation in the country. Music after the day's work often soothes tired ears.

## SIMPLE LIFE SAVING DEVICE

**Holds Person Upright in Water and Affords Protection From Water and Floating Wreckage.**

The Scientific American in describing a life saving device, invented by E. E. Mills of Medina, Wis., says: "The purpose here is to provide a container which will receive and hold a person upright in the water and protect such person from the water, floating wreckage and other conditions un-



Life Saving Device.

der which the usual form of life preservers would be unavailing. The container is of such a nature that the same with others may be conveniently stored on shipboard and readily and quickly placed in operation in case their use is required.

Unsinkable Ship. A Welsh sea captain has invented a ship which, in model form at least, has proved unsinkable, the secret lying in the peculiar form of its hull.

Cause of Red Hair. Human hair gets its red color from an excess of sulphur in its composition.