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### Muma's Predicament

The law sometimes is a wondrous and dreadful thing. "Jap" Muma, newspaper man, involved with Tex Rickard and others in the illegal transportation of moving pictures of the Dempsey-Carpentier fight, faces jail for life because of his inability to pay a federal court fine. Muma and his co-defendants were found guilty and each assessed a fine. Appeal was taken to a higher court but the newspaper man lost his case and he was thrown back on the mercy of the trial court.

The interesting part of the case is in the fact that the judge in imposing the fines gave no alternate jail sentence and did not order confinement of the defendants "until" the fines are settled; therefore, when Muma appealed, the higher tribunal did not pass on these points but threw his case out on the ground that he did not make application for a writ of mandamus to compel the granting of a writ of habeas corpus within the required three months. On these technicalities it now seems that Muma may have to spend the rest of his life in jail. The writ of habeas corpus was his last hope and it has been denied him because he did not apply within the statutory time.

Muma is a poor man, working for a small salary which will stop when he enters the federal prison. He has not been accustomed to hard labor and probably could not earn much while behind the bars. He has no money and could not hope to earn much while in jail. So, how can he ever hope to pay the fine, which is \$7,000?

### Christmas Mail Delivery

Uncle Sam's mail carriers must work on Christmas day. The postmaster general decided that it would not be practical to have no deliveries for two days, Saturday and Sunday, so he has ordered a morning delivery on Christmas.

The public should remember that a morning delivery on Christmas will run well into the afternoon because of the heaviness of the mail. If the public would like to help the mail carrier have a little time at home on Christmas, it can mail its packages early. Not the day before Christmas, but several days before, in time to have them delivered before December 25. If this is done, the mail will be no heavier than normal on that morning. The carrier can get through by noon and have the afternoon with his family.

Will the public help?

### Futile Prayers

Most of us believe in prayer. Nearly all of us feel slighted if our prayers are not answered, and yet, if they all were chaos would result within a short time.

Everybody would pray for riches. Then, being rich, everybody would stop work. Money wouldn't be worth anything at all and a million dollars wouldn't buy a ham sandwich. Nobody would die if all prayers were answered. Even the most worthless man has somebody who would offer a petition in his behalf. Births would continue; the world would be crowded; the people would fight for bread. Death is essential.

Man has learned to protect himself from everything. But a wise Providence must save him from the others. Things in this world are as they should be.

### Poor Logic

Clarence Darrow, noted Chicago criminal lawyer thinks it is our civic duty to violate the prohibition law. The way to get rid of a bad law, Mr. Darrow contends, is for everyone to violate it.

But we doubt the logic of the gentleman's argument. Wouldn't it be better to turn to the other extreme and enforce the law to the letter? Arrest every violator, impose the maximum sentence. Then if the people did not want the law, they could move to have it repealed.

Open violation of the law would bring no good to the country. It would make of us a nation of anarchists.

As the governor elect of Texas is only 33 years old, and just married, there is a good chance that the state will have a woman governor after all.

Women should wear as little as possible, says a British physiologist, which seems to be needless advice.

A community's reaction to murder, 1890: "How horrible!" 1926: "How exciting!"

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

### ASHLAND 10 Years Ago

Harry VanDyke is holding down the baggage-master's job at the Ashland station following recent changes.

Mrs. Minnie Wright and son Orrin of Thompson, N. D., arrived in Ashland Friday to visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. Wright and niece, Mrs. T. M. Lynch of Liberty street. These people are looking for a location and were perfectly delighted with our city.

C. Olsen of the Ashland district was injured in a runaway on the Pacific Highway Saturday morning. His team took fright at a cow and became unmanageable. Mr. Olsen was bruised considerably but no bones were broken.

### ASHLAND 20 Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. F. Wertz have gone from Celestia to Sheridan, Yamhill county, where they expect to spend the winter for the benefit of Mrs. Wertz's health.

Mrs. Frank Dickey left Saturday for Red Bluff, Cal., where she will spend the winter months. Mr. Dickey now having a run on the S. P. train between Ashland and the Bluffs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vining left today for California points where they will spend the winter months.

Lakeview—W. A. Wilshire and daughter, Pearl, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Lane who started yesterday for Portland. The Wilshires will then go to Ashland where they will reside.

### ASHLAND 30 Years Ago

Messrs. C. H. Hostley and H. C. Myer are preparing to place on the market a rheumatism cure which is said to be next to infallible, having effected cures in many instances where used by local people.

C. H. Veht is fitting up the Giddings house which he purchased and moved back on a lot from the corner of Main and Church streets to give place to a new cottage, and will make a cosy cottage for rent out of it.

Normal Notes—Miss May Sutton is taking examinations under difficulties this week, having been stung by a bee near the eye.



It's the busy man who gets more business.

How many public officials are worth what they cost us?

It requires long practice to eat soup so that nobody notices it.

Did you ever see an athletic girl who had strength enough to do plain housework?

Many a sport doesn't know where the next gallon of gas is coming from.

Doctor, I am told, will remove your appendix as many times as you have the money to pay for it.

Hex Heck says: "I never yet saw a promoter who had anything to sell that anybody wanted to buy off-hand."

## What Others Say

There Must Be Authority (The Dalles Chronicle) While not possessed of the inside details, it appears that a group of students in the Eugene high school became imbued with the idea that a winning team was more important than school authority.

School rows are always distressing affairs, as The Dalles well knows. Generally the parents of the students involved take sides against the faculty and a schism is created that is exceedingly harmful to both the school and the community.

There must be authority in any organization, and a school is no exception. The judgement of schools heads is not always infallible, but such childish means of reprisal as strikes, and the Eugene whitewashing incident can never right things. It is to be hoped that the Eugene school board upholds the principal in his effort to enforce discipline.

(Corvallis Gazette-Times)

The Eugene school board has taken prompt and proper action in suspending the young smart alecks who disgraced their parents and the school by spilling a pail of whitewash over the principal because he refused to be a cheat at football. The P. T. A. did what might have been expected of it. It adopted a resolution asking the school board to hush the matter up! It was newspaper publicity backing up the board in preserving discipline that had much to do with the prompt and proper action of that responsible body in firing the kids and two teachers mixed up in the disgrace of a rebellion against a principal who refused to be a cheat even to win at football.

## Isn't It Odd?

LONDON—England imported 6,522,322 tons of German coal valued at more than \$60,000,000 during the recent stoppage due to the strike in the British Isles.

VIENNA—Two hundred and forty farmers have been arrested at Ostrau in Czechoslovakia charged with falsification of health and identification cards.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—For the first time since the beginning of the flyover era the secretary of state's office here has been requested to issue extradition papers for a horse thief. The application was made by Waterloo, Ill. officers who want to bring Oscar Fields back from Missouri to face charges of stealing a male.

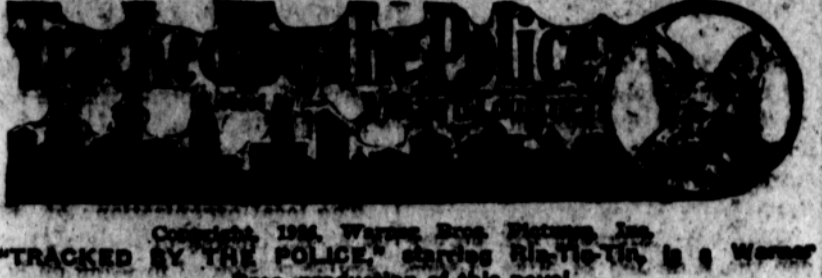
CHICAGO—Two girls who had a nice big sedan of their own are held on charges of flirting. Seven young men made complaint that the two parked near a theatre and tried to vamp them.

KANSAS CITY, Kas.—"It's just the principle of the thing," said Mrs. Mattie Crawford, negro, when she filed suit against the county commissioners and county clerk to recover \$7.65, which she claims is an overpayment of taxes by her husband in 1925.

## DAILY BURL PASSAGE

"Should we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the plience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful and of tender mercy." Jas. 5:11.

There are times when those of great faith almost lose heart when patients cease to be a virtue. It is at such times as these that we need to remember the "patience of Job" and to ponder the first statement of the above verse.



## TRACKED BY THE POLICE

CHAPTER 1—Continued. In France, a German war dog named Rinty was given to a young boy named Jimmy. He was a very smart dog and he was very fond of his master. He was with him when he was shot by a soldier and he was with him when he was taken to the hospital. He was with him when he was taken to the police station and he was with him when he was taken to the court. He was with him when he was taken to the prison and he was with him when he was taken to the gallows.

CHAPTER 2—Continued. Murtagh, after feigning to believe and nod sympathetically, declared: "You're pretty right. That post is too dangerous for a young cop! You see, the Hudson Busters gang might take it kind of personal. I'll speak to the Captain right away, and I know if I ask him he won't let Jimmy go and get himself killed. Oh, here's Father again, Ready, Jim?"



He agreed to let the partnership continue.

with James Allen, he was thinking evilly. "She won't give a tumble to anyone else while Jimmy is living, eh? Perhaps it would make a bit of difference if Jimmy was dead, then! Him and that damn dog of his."

CHAPTER 3—Continued. "Who wants the Captain?" Oh, just a minute, Mr. Murtagh. "Good morning, Captain—yeh, you're damn right it's hot—how's everything—yeh, I saw that in the paper, they're all well—yeh, Captain will—yeh, Captain. He's up to oldtimers like you and me to see that the smart kids get along—but say, don't let on to anybody that I spoke to you about this. You know, perhaps it ain't right, maybe I shouldn't interfere—yeh, So long?"

CHAPTER 4—Continued. If red-faced Captain Michael O'Brien, the blarney orator of that precinct, had any other outstanding characteristic, above and excepting his iron-handed discipline, it was his lack of bile and faculty. His water off-fishbones. "You see, the heavy, heavy Captain, all his six-foot two of muscle and snow and rain health, and reddest rosetty. Therefore, it had been with considerable misgiving that he had nearly succumbed to the temptation of O'Brien's... Jimmy Ford about his... dog, impudently... Astoria—Booth Fisheries will build 10 new fishing boats here this winter.

## HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

WILL BE THURSDAY (Continued from page one)

and to do so it is necessary to steal some of his own letters from her to avoid a law suit. His cousin promises to help him, although he is tortured continually by the attentions of two attractive young girls at the hotel, Rosalie Olin and Frances Wittaker.

Obadiah Stamp, a fresh country product, is their accomplice. His actions furnish most of the many and varied comedy scenes. Obadiah is also attracted by Celestia's French maid, Julie, who could "roll her eyes to a face-the-wall."

Marston finds he cannot give Celestia up, and Jean also discovers she prefers bashful men after all, so there are no disappointments. Even the beautiful Mr. Robbs becomes suddenly cured in the moonlight.

## JUDGE GIVES COMPLIMENT

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—(United News)—Although he failed to qualify for actual service as a juror George F. Swift, Jr., vice president of Swift and company, meat packers, was warmly complimented by the court for his willingness.

Swift arrived in the courtroom early Monday and waited three hours while other jurors were being accepted in the case of William "Three Fingers" White, who is charged with the murder of a policeman.

Portland—Pacific Car & Foundry will build 600 refrigerator cars for Pacific Fruit Express.

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