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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1906.

Fifty per cent increase in Eugene's bank deposits during the past year—paste that in your hat for reference.

Congressman Sheppard, of Texas, put the first income tax bill over the house home plate, and he is not an anti-Baileyite, either.

The per capita money circulation is now $33.66, but Christmas morning there will be thousands who cannot even produce the 66 cents.

Senator Fred Dubois doesn't exactly say that President Roosevelt is a Mormon, but if his soreness at losing his job gets any worse he's liable to.

Congress has officially sanctioned the right of a representative on a honeymoon trip to call it "important business," and to continue drawing his salary.

There are excellent reasons for the belief that foreign money is being spent in this country to complicate the relations between Japan and the United States.

An easy way for congress to lengthen the present short session would be to curtail the holiday recess, but its dollars to cents that it will not be taken.

Of course, it is dead easy to prove that our language is atrocious, but inasmuch as it is the only language that most of us have or are likely to have, why do it?

Though there isn't one chance in a thousand that congress will take any real action about those discharged negro soldiers, there has been and will be more playing to the "nigger vote" by individuals.

Senator Platt now says he will not resign unless forced to. He would be forced fast enough, if those hankering for his seat only knew how.

Should Justice Harlan, of the U. S. supreme court give up a $10,000 life salary to become a candidate for governor of Kentucky, he would be the champion precedent-buster. It is a hundred-to-one shot that he won't do it.

Justice McKenna, of the U. S. supreme court, the only dissenter on the decision upholding Idaho in the arrest of the alleged murderers of the late Governor Steunenberg, is due for a presidential boom from the Western Federation of Miners.

It is astonishing how many people are barely existing in the densely populated East, while Kansas and other great agricultural states of the West and others of the South are praying for skilled and unskilled labor at "good wages." A man who says his idleness is enforced these days, is fibbing. It would be well also for every southern and western state to have an immigration bureau for the direction of home-seekers.

The business and real estate activity of Portland is shown by the report of bank clearings for November exceeding those of the previous year 66 per cent, and 84 per cent over 1904. San Francisco shows a 29 per cent increase, largely, of course, if not entirely, from insurance payments.

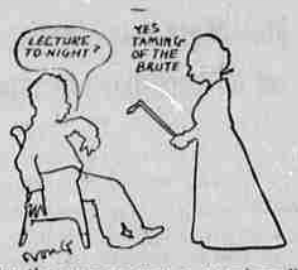
Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

A man who has an undersized brain often mistakes himself for a great wit.

As a general thing after a man is married he feels that fate can do her worst and welcome. He's immune.



For the average man a marriage license is a life ticket to a lecture course.

Don't pry into the secrets of your friends. You may jar loose a halo.

The more the robber man takes of our necessities the greater our necessities become.

A man may not be peculiarly friendless and at the same time know many people who are worrying themselves thin for fear he will die in the poorhouse.

Usually after a high official is officially declared immune he proceeds to remune.

A fat receivership doesn't have the trouble that Diogenes did in finding its man.

Getting the Worst of It.

When your luck is running crooked
And your cash is running low
And you feel much like the picture
Of the fellow with the hoe,
When you ask a man for credit
And he cannot see the point,
But gets busy with his papers,
Then the times are out of joint.

When your friends would like to help you,
But have troubles of their own;
When advice is all they offer,
Words, and only words alone;
When a touch is out of question,
Though the only thing in sight,
And you haven't even car fare,
Then you're up against it right.

It is easy to be cheerful
When you have a tidy roll,
Large enough to wad a cannon
Or to stop a sewer hole,
But you cannot without effort
Raise your voice in merry shout
When your watch is in the pawnshop
And you cannot get it out.

When you cannot get a ticket
That will stand you for a meal
And the chilly free lunch artist
Halts you with an eye of steel,
When you cannot make connections
For a moment with the mint,
Then I fear that you are thinking
Things we would not care to print.

Shifting the Responsibility.

"Having any trouble with your new help?"

"No, indeed, but he is having lots of trouble with me."

Chance For Improvement.

Startling information comes to us from some of the government experts, who are trying to make our food so that it will be fit to associate with, that much of the licorice that is sold to the school children for a cent is built of lampblack, glue and molasses.

It will be admitted by the most careless observer that this is not nice stuff with which to decorate the interior of the rising generation, and you could hardly blame them for not rising very early or very high after they had filled up on it.

We are inclined to think that the competition for the meanest man should stop right here. The crook who makes this stuff holds the record. There is no use trying to beat it. If he has a conscience at all it would take a surgical operation to locate it, and it found it would be so small that a grip germ would look like a hippopotamus beside it.

"His boy was arrested for stealing watermelons."

"I suppose he licked him to boot."

"Yes. The scamp didn't bring a single one home."

Once a Week.

"Why is religion like a man's frock coat?"

"Easy; reminds you of the preacher."

"Naw; because it's rarely used except on Sunday."

Supervise Private Banks

By Attorney General STEAD of Illinois

EVERY unlawful scheme through which bank depositors are defrauded or the public is wronged tends to WEAKEN CONFIDENCE, and every failure more or less affects it.

Branch banking in every form and under whatever pretense should be EXPRESSLY PROHIBITED. Since I have been in office several attempts have been made to inaugurate branch banking. The question is one which has never been passed upon by our supreme court. Until the question is passed upon by our supreme court branch banking, in so far as I am able to do it, will be prohibited.

PRIVATE BANKS SHOULD BE PLACED UNDER STATE SUPERVISION. THE RIGHT IS UNQUESTIONED.

Our supreme court in a number of cases has held that the business of a banker, like that of an innkeeper or common carrier, is affected with the public interest and therefore subject to PUBLIC REGULATION.

The principles of banking are the same in a private bank as they are in a national or state bank. If any good reason exists why a bank owned and conducted by a private individual should not be required to publish a statement of its condition and SUBMIT ITSELF TO EXAMINATION, the same as a national or state bank, I have never heard it stated.

A Poem for Today

TOMMY ATKINS

By Rudyard Kipling

THE social indignities put upon men wearing the uniform of the United States navy, which called forth recently a scathing rebuke from Rear Admiral Evans and in another instance evoked a protest from Admiral Thomas and was strongly condemned by the president in a published letter, show that the same ignoble spirit which Kipling rebuked in England has its counterpart in the United States.

I WENT into a public 'ouse to get a pint o' beer.
The publican 'e up an' sez, "We serve no redcoats here."
The girls be'ind the bar they laughed an' giggled fit to die.
I outs into the street again, an' to myself sez I:

Oh, it's Tommy this an' Tommy that an' "Tommy, go away,"
But it's "Thank you, Mr. Atkins," when the band begins to play,
The band begins to play, my boys, the band begins to play,
Oh, it's "Thank you, Mr. Atkins," when the band begins to play.

I went into a theater as sober as could be.
They gave a drunk civilian room, but 'adn't none for me;
They sent me to the gallery or round the music 'alls,
But when it comes to fightin', Lord! they'll shove me in the stalls.

For it's Tommy this an' Tommy that an' "Tommy, wait outside,"
But it's "Special train for Atkins" when the trooper's on the tide,
The troopship's on the tide, my boys, the troopship's on the tide,
Oh, it's "Special train for Atkins" when the trooper's on the tide.

Oh, makin' mock o' uniforms that guard you while you sleep
Is cheaper than them uniforms, an' they're starvation cheap;
An' hustlin' drunken soldiers when they're goin' large a bit
Is five times better business than paradin' in full kit.

Then it's Tommy this an' Tommy that an' "Tommy, 'ow's yer soul?"
But it's "Thin red line of 'eroes!" when the drums begin to roll,
The drums begin to roll, my boys, the drums begin to roll,
Oh, it's "Thin red line of 'eroes!" when the drums begin to roll.

We aren't no thin red 'eroes, nor we aren't no blackguards, too,
But single men in barricks, most remarkable, like you.
An' if sometimes our conduck isn't all your fancy paints,
Why, single men in barricks don't grow into plaster saints.

While it's Tommy this an' Tommy that an' "Tommy, fall be'ind,"
But it's "Please to walk in front, sir," when there's trouble in the wind,
There's trouble in the wind, my boys, there's trouble in the wind,
Oh, it's "Please to walk in front, sir," when there's trouble in the wind.

You talk o' better food for us, an' schools, an' fires, an' all.
We'll wait for extry rations if you treat us rational.
Don't mess about the cook room slops, but prove it to our face
The widow's uniform is not the soldier man's disgrace.

For it's Tommy this an' Tommy that an' "Chuck him out, the brute!"
But it's "Savior of 'is country" when the guns begin to shoot;
An' it's Tommy this an' Tommy that an' anything you please,
An' Tommy ain't a bloomin' fool. You bet that Tommy sees!

Outwits the Surgeon.

A complication of female troubles, with catarrh of the stomach and bowels, had reduced Mrs. Thos. S Austin, of Leavenworth, Indiana, to such a deplorable condition that her doctor advised an operation; but her husband, fearing fatal results, postponed this to try Electric Bitters, and to the amazement of all who knew her this medicine completely cured her. Guaranteed cure for torpid liver, kidney disease, biliousness, jaundice, chills and fever, general debility, nervousness and blood poisoning. Best tonic made. Price 50c at Linn Drug Co. Try it.

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