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EZRA BINKS INSTALLS NOBLE RED INDIAN

Ezra Binks, who runs the cigar store and punch boards, on the corner where the old blacksmith shop used to stand before it burnt down during a harmless prank played by some of the younger generation, has been successful in fixing up a noble red man in front of his place of business, so that tourists who have to come through Cactus Flat on the way to the National Park will know where to go when they run out of tobacco.

Ezra shopped around quite a bit before he found a suitable Indian, as he couldn't buy one of the wooden kind that used to stand out in front of cigar stores for everybody to stumble over. He

finally ran on to a dry goods store dummy in the back room of a place over in the county seat, and with the aid of Archimedes Pock, who studied art while in college, he managed to get it painted up to look like a real Indian, only not so dignified, and he stuck some turkey feathers on the back of its head to make it look like Sitting Bull standing up, and after he got it wrapped up in a blanket made out of a barley sack with red paint on it, it would fool not only our townspeople, who knew all about it anyway, but it also fooled Abe Barlow's hound, who growled at it in no uncertain tones.

HE MUST OF BEEN SOUSED

Mescal Bill was called into the J. of the P. court this week as a witness to testify against Gil Hightower, who was charged with being drunk. Lawyer Lillikell, in questioning Mescal, asked:

"Did the defendant appear to be unduly under the influence of the nectar of Bacchus?"

"Yep," answered Mescal. "He appeared a little bit like that, but he acted more like he was stewed to the gills."

NEWS OF NATIONAL INTEREST

Henry Hosmeyer's black and white spotted calf, which was recently bereft of its mother by the local butcher shop, is rapidly learning to drink from a bottle.

Mrs. Horsehide Hopkins surprised a family of bedbugs Sunday morning when she dusted under the mattress.

LOCAL NEWS

Hamp Jiggs who contemplated mending his leaky roof last winter is contemplating mending his leaky roof this winter.

Lawyer Lillikell made a speech the other day in favor of law enforcement, which created quite a bit of suspicion.

Aunt Sallie Hornblossom lost a valuable pot of beans by cremation this week while talking over the back yard fence with Mrs. Mescal Bill, who knows something about everybody in town.

Friends of Abe Barlow will be glad to learn that the wobbly pup he bought from Alf Stude several months ago is getting to be a right smart sized hound.

The heavy snow storm which recently visited the high sierras, got out of its course and spilled a part of its contents on our quiet landscape.

Scotty Macpherson went over to the '49 party in the county seat last Saturday night, where he spent ten cents in a riotous whirl of revelry.

Rattlesnake Ike, Cactus Flat's most popular bootician, gave a party a few nights ago in celebration of the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Bearcat Boone was the victim of a conspiracy Sunday morning when his daughter told her mother that she heard Bearcat won ten dollars in the poker game Saturday night.

Porterhouse Kelly, who was discovered several nights ago by Mescal Bill in the latter's chicken house, has been successful in having all of the buckshot removed from his interior.

Wild Bill Mullins writes from Chicago that Mayor Bill Thompson has been successful in his efforts to have the literati of that city take up the study of American.

The editor of the Whizbang has taken a decided stand against the bill for the suppression of obscene publications.

The Rev. Ananias Etherblazer says his idea of a thrifty person is one who tries to pay an installment on a golden harp with a copper cent.

Alf Stude was the victim of foul play Saturday night when he happened on a polecat.

Old Quib Skills says some men are so dumb that they think Joan of Arc was Noah's wife.

SOCIETY PAGE

Miss Goldie Boone let out her skirt a half inch last Sunday after hearing a heated sermon by a traveling evangelist.

SPORT SECTION

Mescal Bill is getting his lies in shape for the opening of the fishing season.

Archimedes Puck has bought a yachting suit and will cruise around over Alkali Lake in his row boat if it ever rains any water in the lake.

Snip Jiggs writes that Jack Dempsey who used to box for a living, has decided to retire from the ring. This decision came after a couple of hand-to-hand encounters with a fellow named Tunney.

Slocum Hoppin, our handsome and talented plumber, went on a hunting trip this week up in the tall timber, but he returned empty handed and without any game, on account of having forgotten to take his gun.

CLAY CLAMOVER IS STILL DIGGING WELL

Clay Clamover of Coyote Gulch, who started to dig a well about

two years ago, was in this week after more supplies and credit at the grocery store, and also some tobacco. He said that he was still confident of striking water although the situation is beginning to look doubtful.

Clay said he was down six hundred feet, with the most of it through solid rock, and the only water he has struck yet was between his house and the well, which is a very subtle joke and is readily understood by the persons to whom Clay has been telling it for the past six months. He said he hopes to strike water if he ever gets through the rock but he has no hope of ever getting through the rock, as he has worn out all of his drills and wouldn't know what to do with them if he did. Clay is a preserving cuss, chock full of heroic determination and bullfrog tenacity, and the Catamount feels that the citizens of Coyote Gulch are to be congratulated upon having a person in their midst who goes after a thing with such force and sticktoitiveness, if there is any credit in having a man in the community who puts in so much time digging in the rock for water when a good creek runs by his place.

FLAG POLE WILL UNDERGO NEW COAT OF RED PAINT

As artist from the county seat has been employed to paint the flag pole in front of the band stand, where it was blown down by a higher than common wind last fall and laid in the mud all winter until it was beginning to look like heck, but was raised this week by a cordon of patriotic citizens, consisting of Greasewood Slim and Bassmouth Baker, who performed the heroic deed with much grunting and profanity at the time and much bragging later about doing one's civic duty.

THE POLITICAL CRISIS

The Honorable William Hoots, candidate for president, states that in the old days an office seeker could get by with a ringing speech on law-enforcement, but that it is a dangerous subject nowadays.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon For Columbia County. In the Matter of the Estate of Martin Tobin, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Martin Tobin, deceased, by the County Court of Columbia County, State of Oregon, and has duly qualified. All persons having claims against

said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as by law required, to the undersigned at his residence, on the Pittsburg Mist road, within six months from the date hereof. Dated and first published Feb. 9, 1928. W. A. Harris, Attorney. Frank J. Peterson, Administrator.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land office at Roseburg, Oregon, February 2, 1928.

Notice is hereby given that Jacob Martala of Mist, Oregon, who, on December 7, 1922, made homestead entry (Portland No. 07343), No. 017195, for E 1/2 SE 1/4, section 31, township 6 N., range 4 west, Willamette meridian has filed notice of intention to make three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before K. F. Frazer, U.S. commissioner, at Yeon building, Portland, Oregon on the 26th day of March, 1928.

Claimant names as witnesses: Alfred Parkinen, Minnie Parkinen, Iver Parkinen, O. Enneberg, all of Mist, Oregon. Hamill A. Canaday, Register. 27-5.

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SPERRY FLOUR COOK BOOK advertisement with illustration of a woman at a table and text: 'JUST OUT Beautiful, snappy, modern—the new SPERRY FLOUR COOK BOOK "What Shall the Next Meal Be?" is now off the press. Illustrated in full color, it contains menus, recipes, latest information on table arrangement, food values and cooking secrets. Mail this coupon FREE for your copy, sent MARTHA MEADE, Director Home Service Bureau, Sperry Flour Co., San Francisco. Please send me, free, my copy of your newest cook book, "What Shall the Next Meal Be?" Name Street City'

Lucky Strike advertisement featuring a pack of cigarettes and a portrait of a man, with text: 'The Cream of the Tobacco Crop Werrenrath, Concert Star, Finds Lucky Strikes Kindly To His Precious Voice "In my concert work, I must, of course, give first consideration to my voice. Naturally, I am very careful about my choice of cigarettes as I must have the blend which is kindly to my throat. I smoke Lucky Strikes, finding that they meet my most critical requirements." "It's toasted" No Throat Irritation-No Cough.'

FINNEY OF THE FORCE comic strip by F. O. Alexander, showing a man in a suit talking to a man in a uniform.

Comic strip showing a man in a suit talking to a man in a uniform, with dialogue about a loan.

Comic strip showing a man in a suit talking to a man in a uniform, with dialogue about a loan and a 'shooth liar'.