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Just what does "The Old Guard" guard?

The great indoor sport of swatting the fly is in full swing.

Dr. Cook has found Oklahoma rather hot for an arctic explorer.

The president seems to think that the blocs are stumbling blocks.

Training for war is constructive instruction in destruction.

Merchants favor dollar days, but labor is unalterably opposed to such.

In the Navy enlisted men are gobs. In the Army most officers are snobs.

What is really needed in America is a charge of the polite brigade.

The sugar refiners have been holding a clean-up week all their own.

The liquidation of the government fleet would remove it from dry dock.

Cleanliness is said to be next to Godliness. Let's start a community revival.

Mr. Harding is trying to bring normalcy to port on the international courtship.

It is remarkable that recruiting officers devote so little time to former soldiers.

France is said to be weakening in the Ruhr, but she is keeping a bold front.

It looks as if William J. Burns makes it a regular business to be hot on the trail.

It appears that not even the Invisible Empire is immune to revolution.

Uniform dry laws might work better if the dry agents were forced to wear the same.

At that we'll bet that Doc. Cook found as many oil wells as he did North Poles.

The open shop is a closed issue so far as Mr. Harding can make it in the next campaign.

Some prohibition enforcement officers consider the constitution as "just a scrap of paper."

The shade of the deceased league of nations is a twin brother to that ghost of Banquo's.

'A meenin' no harm; but we see where Dr. Moses Butteweiser, of Cincinnati, is a Bible authority.

At the rate they have been going in Russia it will not be long before she can't even recognize herself.

We are afraid that if they go much deeper into old King Tut's tomb they will find some of our latest puns.

It is reported that aside from a few minor crimes, like kidnapping, the city election in Chicago went smoothly.

"Hospital Shower"—Headline in Waynesville Mountaineer-Courier. Hope the patients were in a dry place.

When the world learns that a human being is the most valuable thing in the world most of our problems will solve themselves.

The dead ones seem to be live subjects. For instance there's King Tut, and the league of nations is likely to become a campaign issue.

We want it distinctly understood, so that no offense may be taken, that Clean Up—Paint Up Campaigns do not apply to flappers.

A Pennsylvania man is alleged to have eighteen wives. It is interesting to note that they began to peach on him just about Easter time.

It is announced that there are over 20,000 liquor cases pending in the United States courts. The number of cases of liquor has not been announced.

Prince ss Yolanda being new married those of us who have to read the daily papers can take a breathing spell from the American brand of super-snobbery.

The American government raises merry Ned about the execution of Catholics in Russia, but has nothing to say about a murderous attack being made upon Y. W. C. A. workers, by its own officers.

The Supreme Court's interpretation of the constitution seems to be that it allows governmental interference with everything except seeing to it that people get decent wages and respectable living conditions.

When you stop to think of what has happened there from time to time you are bound to admit that the guy who named it Hog Island certainly was a seventh son of a seventh son.

The prohibition officers assert that they cannot catch transporters if they must have search warrants. In other words, they want to enforce the constitution by violating the constitution.

Asheville needn't be so uppity about Attorney General Daugherty visiting that little city. We see by the Balsam correspondence in our favorite weekly where Mrs. Woodrow Wilson has been spending a few days at the highest railway station east of the Rocky mountains.

We see by a headline where an Ohio woman who has been talking continuously for 6 days was sent to a hospital. If they are going to hospitalize all women affected with the same malady all materials and labor in the buildings trades will have to be diverted to hospital construction.

The Andrews News, under the editorial direction of Weiner Jones, has resumed publication, and is a credit to the weekly fraternity in Western North Carolina, and to the town of Andrews; being far and away the best paper ever published in that enterprising little city. The News deserves far better advertising patronage and moral support than Andrews, progressive in nearly every other respect, has ever accorded an Andrews newspaper.

SHOOTING UP THE CONSTITUTION AND CITIZENS

This newspaper has continuously and consistently condemned the practice of officers, condoned by some courts and by a large section of public opinion, of searching persons houses and vehicles without warrants, in attempts to enforce the prohibition laws, and some of our friends have gone so far as to question our consistency in being an exponent of temperance and prohibition and at the same time taking officers to task for exceeding their constitutional rights in enforcing these particular laws. An occurrence, Saturday evening, when a murderous assault was committed upon two young women of Asheville, who by the way are Y. W. C. A. workers, by swaggering, pistol-toting, prohibition officers, sets forth the position we have always taken, better than any language we might write.

These young ladies were motoring toward Greenville when they saw five men ahead of them in the road, the road blocked with a car, and the men, guns in hand attempting to stop them. It looked like an ambush. Naturally supposing the men in the road to be highwaymen, they gave their car the gas and dashed ahead, when the men opened fire upon them, shooting through the automobile a number of times, deflating the tires, and plunging the speeding car into the ditch, the two girls miraculously escaping with their lives.

The apology that the officers made was almost as bad as the offense, as, in extenuation of their high-handed assault, they brazenly proclaim that they had violated the Fourth amendment to the federal constitution twice before, in a short space of time, in stopping and searching motor biles of honest travelers.

The most dangerous enemies that prohibition has in America are not the liquor men, neither the anti-prohibitionists, but over-zealous officers, who swagger about the land, clothed with their little authority, and violate not only the constitution and laws of the land, but also the inalienable right of men, which Thomas Jefferson asserted to be superior to all human laws and all constitutions, in their attempts to catch run-runners and boot-leggers.

If temperance laws are ever repealed in America, which we trust they may never be, it will be such conduct as

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The continuation of such high-handed and unlawful methods by officers of the law, who above all others should obey the law and respect the sanctity of life, liberty and property, will sweep from us every vestige of Anglo-Saxon liberty, that it took our fathers a thousand years of toil and bloodshed to gain.

The Governor of South Carolina received the following telegram from Asheville: "Party of Asheville ladies desire to go through South Carolina by motor. Can you guarantee protection for them through Greenville county?" The newspapers reports state that it was said in the Governor's office that the telegram was considered an attempt to be "funny". Funny? It may have been a joke, and it may have been so intended, but in reality in the light of events of the past three years, it is one of the most serious and profound questions that has been

Once such an occurrence in any state would have aroused the nation, and if committed by federal officers, would our representatives pledged their faith in the now shattered instrument that brought into being our glorious Union.

Once such an occurrence in any state would have aroused the nation, and if committed by federal officers, would have brought about possible civil war and perhaps the dissolution of the union of sovereign states. Now it is really speculative whether the governor of any state can guarantee that any party of citizens, ladies or gentlemen, will not be assaulted, or perhaps murdered, as they go peacefully and lawfully about their business, or their pursuit of happiness, by officers of the law.

If law and order, if liberty and happiness are to survive public opinion and fearless courts must force the officers to keep within the bounds of reason, and when searches, seizures, or arrests are to be made, that they be made in a lawful manner. Else the work of a thousand years and many generations of patriots is put to naught.

LOST IN THE SWAMP

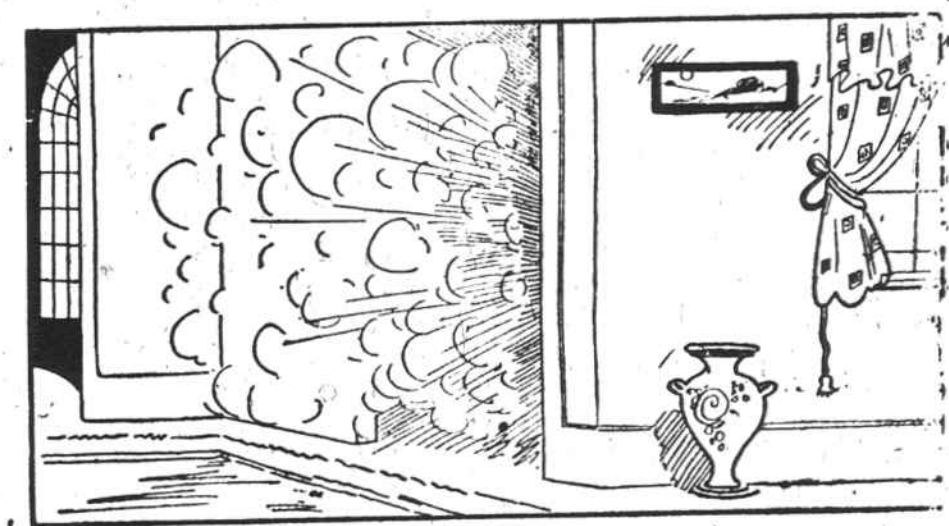
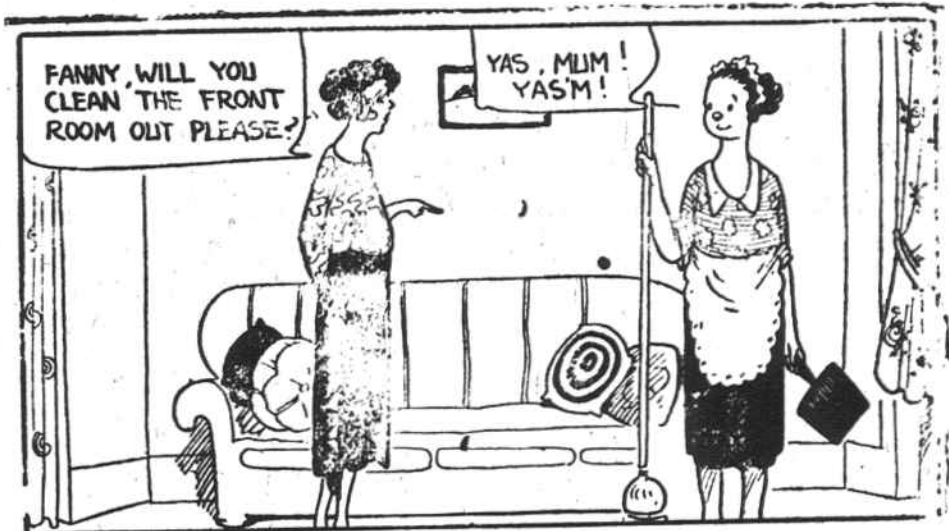


Not a Joke to Officialdom



MRS. MILES POINDEXTER, pictured above, is wife of the senator from Washington, below, who suffered defeat at the last election. Mrs. Poindexter wrote for a home newspaper several articles in which she joked various men and women prominent in capital life. But they didn't consider it a joke. So much the contrary that the senator is encountering opposition as a possible federal appointee, to console him for loss of his seat. He has been mentioned for secretary of the Interior, ambassador to Peru, a United States judgeship and other posts.

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