

Says WILL ROGERS

BEVERLY HILLS. — Well, all I know is just what I read in the papers. And say I had to read plenty in the paper the other day. There is a paper got out in Detroit Michigan. Its called the "Legal Record". It says its a paper dedicated to the interests of the legal profession. That dedication that's printed on its front page in big type shows that its a paper that has nothing to do with news, or facts, and I like the honesty of it. It tells you right off we take nothing but the lawyer's side. (For there aint any other side.)



Well the headline as follows to wit, habus corpus, nolle prosequi, change of venue as follows: "The legal profession as a humorist sees it". Written by a man who signs his name as O. Z. Ide. Now I am not a sort of a lawyer detecting things, but that name sounds a little phoney. When one man writes all that in a paper, and this only had three pages outside of legal notices, why naturally he has got to make it look like he had quite a staff, so he does like these big holding companies did when they was sending wires to help them keep on holding, why they signed any name they could think of. Now there aint no man named O. Z. Ide. He is as synthetic as the article.

Here is what Ozie said: "While the American Bar Association was in session in L. A. last week some of our opinion moulding dailies carried a syndicated article by Will Rogers." Yes some of em did, 650 of em did. But lets get on: "Before the criminal is tried the defense consul should stand trial to see if there was anything against h'im." Mr. Rogers indicated further that this was the big question before the convention, and that everything else paled into insignificance before this tremendous issue.

Well now lets take up the issues one by one. In the first place if there had been no truth at all in the statement I made there would never have been any yell about it. Now as to it being the dominant question, Mr. Rogers didnt say that it was the dominant question, he said that it should be the dominant question. In other words the lawyers would give their eye to have the thing cleaned up, and they will admit that it would be of more benefit to their profession to have the crooks driven out than to have any other thing.

Now here is a thing, I am in the movies. When there was so much talk of cleaning up the movies, there wasent a lawyer, or any other profession but what said, "Why dont they clean those things up? My wife and children cant go to see em."

Now you offered an opinion in my business, but the minute a comedian offers an opinion in your business, I am out of place. Your business is sacred and no one should mention it only in the highest terms. The movies cleaned up and they didnt write editorials against the lawyers for saying they should. If all lawyers are not honest-how are clients to tell when they might go to a bad one any more than a movie fan might go to a bad movie?

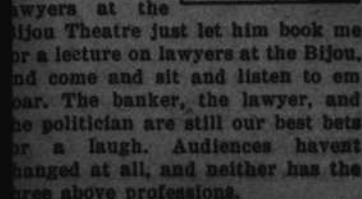
Get this: "We have always appreciated Mr. Rogers but because of his roll ill-advised remarks we find our enthusiasm begging to jell."

In other words, I was funny when the joke was on the other fellow, but any about me is ill-advised, and dont tell at all.

Get this one: "There was a time a few years back when a dig at the lawyers at the Bijou Theatre was a sure fire laugh, but now even the so-called humorists have sensed the distaste in the mouths of the public for such efforts at humor."

Well I wish he could have read a so-called humorist's mail. Never did I have so much approving mail in one article, and not a half dozen dissenting ones, and they were from lawyers. Every laymen approved. It sat about 98 percent. I wish I could think of something else as true and as good.

My little movies have been fairly clean, but when the well-chosen roar against pictures come, I didnt get ore, and rise on my hind legs and write any editorials. I knew it was coming to us and took it in good faith for I new in the long run it would do good, and if this old boy dont think that the audience will still laugh at the lawyers at the Bijou Theatre just let him book me for a lecture on lawyers at the Bijou, and come and sit and listen to me. The banker, the lawyer, and the politician are still our best bets for a laugh. Audiences havent changed at all, and neither has the three above professions.



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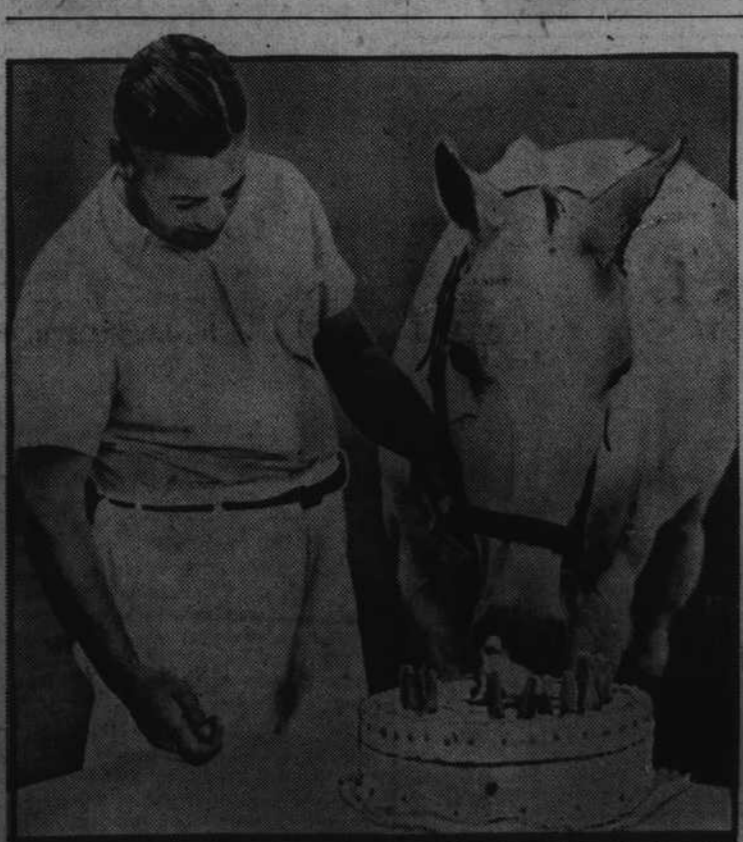
All-Time Record Mackinaw Trout



Justus Smith of Benlah, Mich., is telling Miss Lucille Provencher of the Traverse City, Mich., chamber of commerce, how he caught the all-time record Mackinaw trout in Grand Traverse bay. The fish weighed 43 pounds and measured 45 inches in length and qualified Mr. Smith for membership in the Traverse City Che-Ge-Gon, Ottawa for "big fish club." The previous record Mackinaw weighed 39 pounds

Second Battle of Marne Monument

President Le Brun of France places a wreath at the pedestal of the huge statue at Soissons which was dedicated to those who died in the second battle of the Marne. It also expressed France's thanks for allied help during the great war.



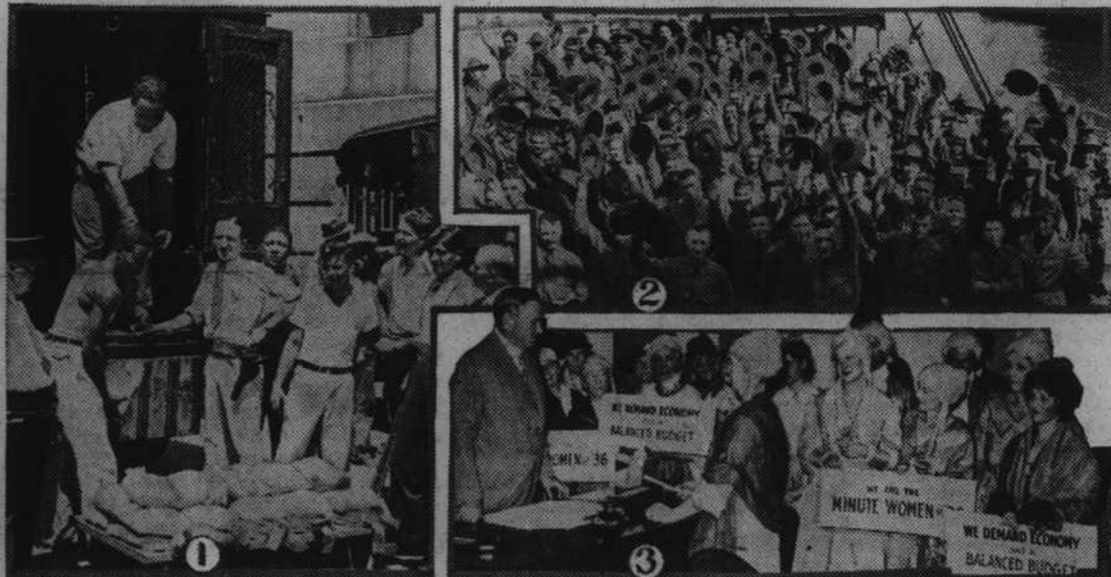
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Detroit Housewives Ban High Priced Meats



Angry housewives, assisted by their menfolk, have been picketing the markets of Detroit and suburbs in their fight against high meat prices, and woe to any would-be meat-eater who tries to make a purchase. Good sized riots have broken out in various sections of the picketed area, as customers and pickets clashed, and the meat sales of the region have suffered a noticeable decline. Mrs. Mary Zuk, chairman of the action committee to reduce meat prices, holds a "pep" meeting in front of their headquarters before marching on one of the beleaguered butcher shops.

Scenes and Persons in the Current News



1—Armored trucks unloading at the treasury in Washington \$100,000,000 in silver from the Philadelphia mint. 2—Scene when a thousand officers and enlisted men sailed on the transport Republic from the army base at Brooklyn for service in the Canal zone, the Philippines and Hawaii. 3—Members of the Massachusetts Minute Women of 1935 presenting to Governor Curley a resolution against the Massachusetts tax laws.

Work Relief Job for the Imperial Valley



One hundred four-horse teams are here busy on one section of the All-American canal which will replace the main now serving California's Imperial valley. The new canal will have a width of 232 feet, a depth of 21 feet and will carry the water of the Colorado river 89 miles across the valley for irrigation purposes. The men and teams shown in the photograph above have moved more than 1,000,000 yards of earth with their Fresno scrapers.

Ten Million Dollar Saratoga Spa Dedicated



Gov. Herbert H. Lehman of New York dedicated this new \$10,000,000 spa at Saratoga Springs, known as the Roosevelt Bath building. He described it as "another unique agency added to an already incomparable public health service."

BRISBANE

THIS WEEK

Why So Many Men? Bitterness in Berlin Frank H. Hitchcock Dead The Snake Has Rights

Why does Mussolini need so many men for little Abyssinia? If he attacks, he will go through the air with bombs, poison gas or both. He certainly will not march hundreds of thousands of men through swamps, and over hot sand. He now has 925,000 men under arms, with 340,000 Fascist militia ready to be called, plus 200,000 others, born two years before the big war started. Is something else present or expected, back of all this man power? Even if Japan should come in, that would only mean a more complicated air war.



Arthur Brisbane

Berlin reports increased bitterness in the war against the Catholic church, with official posters, eight feet high, printed in red, scattered through the city, attacking alleged Catholic opposition to Nazi rule.

The posters speak of the "grafting Center (Catholic) party, working hand in hand with Bolshevism," and declare that Catholics, "the eternal enemies of the reich, wish to destroy the unity of Germany." The posters are believed to indicate new and more bitter attacks on Catholic organizations.

Many Americans will learn with sincere regret of the death of Frank H. Hitchcock, postmaster general in President Taft's cabinet and at the time of his death publisher of the Tucson Daily Citizen.

Frank Hitchcock, typical, intelligent American, will be remembered as first to appreciate the airplane's importance in connection with distribution of mail. Twenty-four years ago, when flying was new, he flew, taking a pouch of mail with him, and advocated immediate use of planes over "impassable stretches of country."

At Thomasville, N. C., Rev. Campbell Holmes, "Holy Roller" preacher, allowed a rattlesnake to bite him as he preached, "just to show you that

God will take care of me." There was excitement and admiration in the congregation. Next day his arm was badly swollen, he was violently ill, death threatened, but the "Holy Roller" preacher refused medical attention. The reverend gentleman perhaps forgot that the same great Power that gave him his beautiful faith also gave the rattlesnake its powerful poison. Each creature has its gifts, not safely ignored.

Did you buy bonds in the big war excitement, when little ladies, seated on elephants, sang patriotic songs and begged you to give "till it hurts"?

One hundred and eighty-five million dollars' worth of government bonds are mislaid somewhere, perhaps hidden in old trunks, in desks, safe-deposit boxes, by those now dead. The government would like to get these past-due bonds and pay for them.

One out of every three married couples in the United States is childless, news not complimentary to the childless families. Exceptions are cases in which nature refuses to send children.

You would not value a chain of steel with every third link broken, or a chain of heredity with every third link missing. The "childless family" news should make this country revise stupid laws against immigration, shutting out men and women willing to have children, and work for them.

Madame Evelyn, who reads the stars, the future, the crystal globe and the lines in your hand on the New Jersey beach, read the "lines" for a 200-pound customer, then sighed and said: "I see only trouble ahead of you."

The client also sighed, and he, says Madame Evelyn, stood up and said, "You are an excellent fortune teller, and here's the beginning of the trouble," and socked me on the jaw, knocking me out of my chair."

Americans interested in cotton production and wondering how long our export figures will stand up will want to know that Japanese cotton buyers have "folded up," as one Texas cotton grower put it; have moved out of Texas, apparently giving up all idea of buying cotton there.

The late Nathag Straus used to say "If a German loses one of his relatives, he feels badly. If he loses money, he goes to bed sick."

German trade and industry will "go to bed sick" if it persists in its present attitude toward those that promote business and prosperity in every country where Jews are treated fairly.

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