

WORLD'S BEST COMICS

Lighter Side of Life as Depicted by Famous Cartoonists and Humorists

THE FEATHERHEADS

By Osborne



Second Guessing

Tall Tales

As Told to:
**FRANK E. HAGAN and
ELMO SCOTT WATSON**

Sagacious Serpent

"YES," said Madame Zulawa, the snake-charmer with the old Robinson circus, "Elmer was by far the most intelligent and most versatile serpent I ever had. He was a blacksnake—six feet of patience, pliability and perspicacity. I could call out any number and instantly he'd arrange himself in the form of that figure. His figure eights were a model of rounded symmetry. But all of this was before one horrible night . . ."

Madame Zulawa covered her eyes as she thought of that same terrible night. There was a tremor in her voice . . . then she went bravely on.

"Our circus train was crossing the high Sierras. Just as it was approaching the summit, Elmer slid out of his cage and started back over the tops of the cars. He was coming back to my car for his cup of warm coconut milk to help him get to sleep.

"Just as he stretched over the gap between two cars, there was the sound of iron snapping. The coupling between the two cars had broken under the strain of pulling the heavy cars up that steep grade. In another moment the rear half of the train would be speeding down the incline, gathering momentum until it jumped the rails at the first curve.

"Elmer knew that everything depended upon him. Quick as a flash he sank his teeth in the wooden top of the car ahead. At the same moment he wrapped his tail around an iron rod on the car behind. The strain on him was fearful, but he hung on grimly . . .

"Well . . . there isn't much more to tell. The whole train passed safely over the summit. But Elmer's days as a performing blacksnake were over. Go to the Cincinnati zoo today and you'll find him there in a cage labeled 'The Only Black Python in Captivity . . . 42 feet, 6 1/2 inches long.'"

'SMATTER POP— Sorry, Sorrier, Sorriest

By C. M. PAYNE



MESCAL IKE

By S. L. HUNTLEY

He Doesn't Scare Easy



FINNEY OF THE FORCE

By Ted O'Loughlin

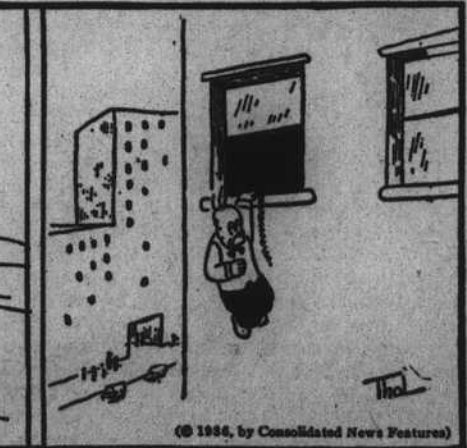
Crashing Into the Dough



ADAMSON'S ADVENTURES

The Getaway

By O. JACOBSSON



Our Pet Peeve

By M. G. KETTNER



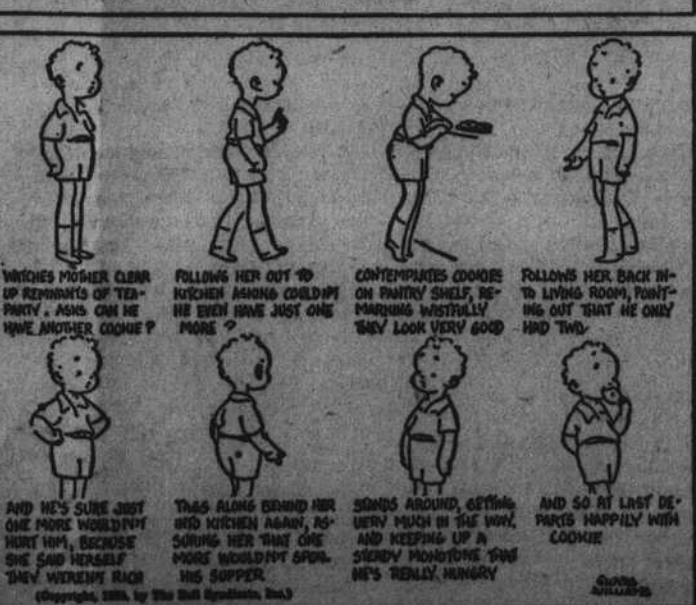
This Generation
Little Girl—Mother, you know that old vase you said had been handed down from generation to generation?
Mother—Yes, dear.
Little Girl—Well, this generation has dropped it.—Houston Rotary Bulletin.

He Understood
Smith—Awfully sorry I couldn't come to lunch with you as I promised. Circumstances over which I have no control kept me away.
Brown—That's quite all right, old chap. By the way, how is your wife?—Argentine Magazine.

Coercion
"Don't you think the world owes you a living?"
"Yes," replied Plodding Pete. "But the world is a tough old creditor. I find I have to hand it a few wallops with a pick and shovel to convince it."

SNAPSHOTS OF A BOY ASKING FOR A COOKIE

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



News Oddities

A recent survey of some 8,000 dahlia names indicates that a man's chance of having a new flower named after him is about half as good as a woman's. And a woman is about six times more likely to be so honored if she is married.

If a meager dozen of plants ceased to grow in America, our commercial beekeepers would have to go out of business. Most flowers yield little or no nectar, from which bees make honey. About three fourths of the supply is furnished by the clover.

There are 1,200 natural lakes in the state of Nebraska. Food as well as drink for crops now flows in some irrigation ditches in southern California. A little ammonia gas is mixed with the water, and extensive tests have shown that plants thrive better on this liquid diet than on solid fertilizer.

Recent tests have shown that flies are attracted by light colors, especially white and cream. They have no real color sense, but a luminous surface suggests the brightness and warmth which they seek.

More than 30,000,000 tin cans are used in the United States each year. Farm crops in every can. There is no truth in the old belief that cucumbers contain a poisonous juice which can be counteracted by soaking them in salt water. The soaking merely wilts and toughens them.

Soviet Russia is reported to have more than 1,000 scientists working on problems of plant improvement. "Some like it hot, some like it cold," the old nursery rhyme, seems to hold for plants as well as for humans. In Yellowstone park plants have been found growing in the water of hot springs just 27 degrees below the boiling point; and in the polar regions other plants grow in water at freezing temperatures.

There is no foundation for the notion that sour cream contains more butterfat than sweet cream. The fact is that only butter of inferior quality can be made from it.—Country Home Magazine.

Romans Knew

Near Mikulov, in Czechoslovakia, a two-thousand-year-old Roman camp has been found, with evidence that the Romans had a system of central heating. The finds reveal that heat was circulated through hollow spaces in the walls.

Black-Draught's Reputation

The confidence people have in Black-Draught, built up from satisfactory use so many years, is shown in its being handed on from one generation to another. It must be good to have such a strong following.

"We have used Black-Draught for twenty years," writes Mr. Fred Richardson, of Harshorne, Okla. "My mother has used it for fifty years. It is the best medicine I know anything about. I take it for sour stomach and constipation, or when I feel sluggish and bad. Black-Draught is splendid to regulate the bowels, cleaning them of waste matter, ridding them of constipation. I expect to use it twenty-five years more if I live and it gives satisfaction as it has always given."

FRUITS-VEGETABLES WANTED!

In Truck and Car Lots. High Market Prices. Quick Sales. Financial responsibility assured. Full daily returns. Our market quotations are not comparable to those elsewhere. Write or wire for them.

SCHLEY BROTHERS

"The Dependable House"

18 East Camden St. BALTIMORE, MD.
Established 24 years and the only Wholesale Commission Firm, now operating 4 separate locations and sales forces in Baltimore.

Druggists, Jewelers, Music dealers: Buy stringed instruments and supplies from right source. Wholesale catalog "A." St. Louis Music Supply Co., St. Louis, Mo.



No Need to Suffer "Morning Sickness"

"Morning sickness"—is caused by an acid condition. To avoid it, acid must be offset by alkali—such as magnesia.

Why Physicians Recommend Milnesia Wafers

These mint-flavored, candy-like wafers are pure milk of magnesia in solid form—the most pleasant way to take it. Each wafer is approximately equal to a full adult dose of liquid milk of magnesia. Chewed thoroughly, then swallowed, they correct acidity in the mouth and throughout the digestive system and insure quick, complete elimination of the waste matters that cause gas, headaches, bloated feelings and a dozen other discomforts.

Milnesia Wafers come in bottles of 20 and 48, at 35c and 60c respectively, and in convenient tins for your handbag containing 12 at 20c. Each wafer is approximately one adult dose of milk of magnesia. All good drug stores sell and recommend them.

Start using these delicious, effective anti-acid, gently laxative wafers today

Professional samples sent free to registered physicians or dentists if request is made on professional letterhead. Sales Products, Inc., 4402 23rd St., Long Island City, N. Y.

35c & 60c bottles
20c tins

The Original Milk of Magnesia Wafers

© Western Newspaper Union.