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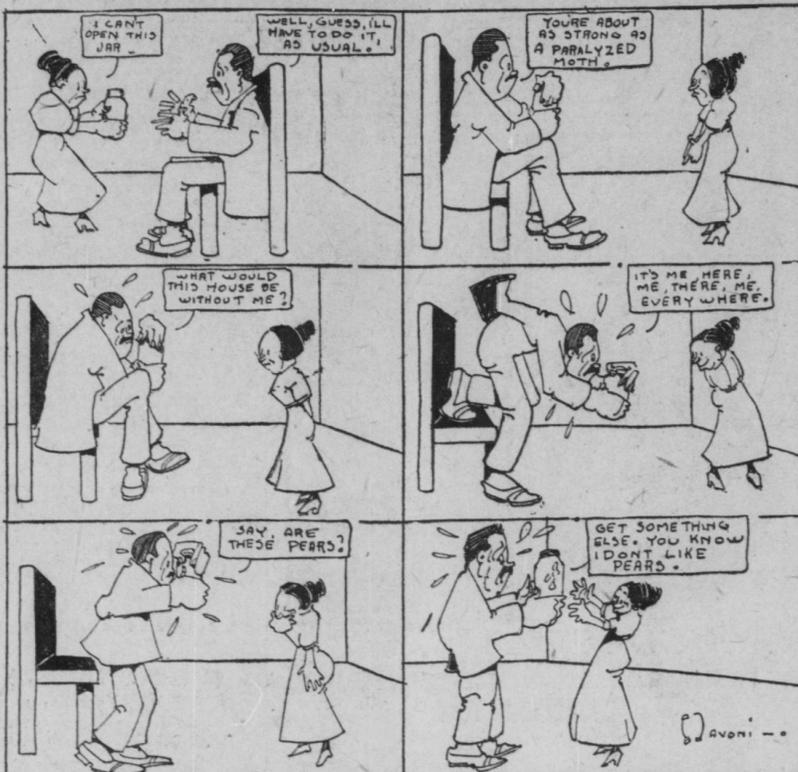
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SECRETARY FISHER TURNS DOWN CUNNINGHAM CLAIMS AND THEREBY VINDICATES PINCHOT AND GLAVIS

LET the country now return further thanks to President Taft for the appointment of Fisher in place of the discredited Ballinger. One of the new secretary's most important judgments to date is a decision finally rejecting the Cunningham coal land claims in Alaska—a decision that brings to a proper and just close a prolonged and acrimonious controversy. It is a just judgment and is testimony to the wisdom of Mr. Taft in selecting Secretary Fisher to administer the department of the interior in sympathy with the policy of conservation of the national resources.

THE industrial transformation of the great interior valley of California from big grain ranches to small irrigated farms and orchards is one of the striking facts of contemporary agricultural evolution in this state that must attract the attention of any observer. It is particularly noted by William Ellery Curtis, the distinguished eastern newspaper correspondent, who has been writing extensively about what he saw in the course of a visit to this region.

Most Wives Know This Man



good citizenship, promotes the growth of churches and schools and makes for general well being. In fact, the transition marks a revolution in the social life of California.

IN a paper read before the Historical Society of Southern California in Los Angeles recently, H. D. Barrows gave some interesting facts concerning the conquest of California by the United States and incidentally told of the part taken in that international episode by the frigate Portsmouth of our navy. The recital may serve to renew interest in the demand of the people of this state that the Portsmouth, now lying in an eastern navy yard, be sent for permanent station in San Francisco bay, to be used as a naval museum.

McCORMICK SETS FIRE TO DRY SOD
Leader of Southern Pacific Exploring Expedition Scares Comrades
E. O. McCORMICK is vice president of the Southern Pacific and just what that means everybody knows, or should know; but with all that it had never been supposed exactly that he was the man to set the world afire. But that is just what he did.

Why the Portsmouth Should Come to Us
In July, 1846, Commodore Sloat, in command of the flagship Savannah, took possession of Monterey on behalf of the United States. At the same time he ordered Captain Montgomery of the Portsmouth to raise the American flag in San Francisco. The name of the commander of the Portsmouth is commemorated in that of the first important street laid out in this town in the historic days "when the water came up to Montgomery street."

Humorous Use of the Deadly Parallel
This, according to the opponents of reciprocity in Canada and in the United States, is the sort of seesaw on which the people at both ends of the stick are down in the dumps at the same time. A common ruin threatens to engulf the Canadian and the American farmer. This is what the Tories are telling the Canadians and what the standpatters and reactionaries tell our own people.

Answers to Queries
NEWSPAPERS—C. D. B., San Jose. Where can I secure a list of the newspapers and magazines published on the Pacific coast?
From the newspaper directory to be seen in the public library in your city.
HERREW PHRASES—Subscriber, City. What are the Hebrew words for "goodbye" and "how do you do?"
Goodbye is berahus-chem and how do you do, shalom alchem.

Uncle Walt THE POET PHILOSOPHER

To give a cup of water to a stranger at your door, whose limbs can only totter, whose feet are tired and sore—that is a kindly action whose memory will live, and bring you satisfaction, and lasting comfort give. Such little acts will cheer us, and soothe our aches and smarts, and bring the angels near us, and lighten heavy hearts.

The Morning Chit-Chat
PLEASE, whatever you do, don't put what I have told you in your column, as I do not want any of my folks to know about it. I have been the victim of taunts ever since we had our misunderstanding, both from my sister and my aunt. Perhaps my mother would have understood, but I have none, and I can't bear to be misunderstood.

try have increased more than 50 per cent.
Sacificial
Sweet Girl (affectionately)—Papa, you wouldn't like me to leave you, would you?
Papa (fondly)—Indeed, I would not, my darling.
Sweet Girl—Well, then, I'll marry Mr. Poorchap. He is willing to live here.—New York Weekly.

PERSONS IN THE NEWS
ELEN S. DRAPER, former governess of Massachusetts, returned yesterday from a trip to Yosemite with her family and a party of friends. They have apartments at the Fairmont.

Abe Martin
Tipton had got a notice from a newspaper saying his time was up on an 'n' that he wrote his will. Tell Binkley is still confined to his home by tire trouble.