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THANKS TO POINDEXTER

Through the efforts of U. S. Senator Miles Pondexter, the state of Washington is to be congratulated that Judge Clinton W. Howard and U. S. District Attorney Coiner will soon be recalled from office.

To the progressive, thinking people of this state, the removal of these men is a distinct victory.

Both appointments smelled to the very skies. Coiner's appointment was the carrying out of a brazen political agreement to steal the republican delegates of this state for Taft. Howard's appointment, following in the wake of the impeached Hanford, was an insult to a people who had fought hard to get rid of a corporation-ridden judge.

Poindexter alone came to the aid of the people of this state. His colleague in the senate, Wesley L. Jones, was busy whitewashing Senator Lorimer.

Mark this man Poindexter—he's looming up big, not only in this state, but in the nation.

Throughout his congressional career Poindexter has shown himself fearless, progressive and courageous. He fought Joe Cannon in the lower house when the czar was at the height of his power. It was Poindexter who made a personal investigation of conditions at Lawrence, Mass., and the American people were given some illuminating impressions on the big industrial war. Today Senator Poindexter alone has fearlessly registered himself on the Congressional Record as a member of the progressive party.

May his tribe increase, in whatever party they may exist.

PROFESSOR BILL TAFT

William Howard Taft, professor of law, Yale.

That's the job decided upon by the man who today is president of the United States. He'll take it after March 4 next.

It looks like a wise selection and a good job. Bill Taft not only will tell Yale boys how to master law and all about legal history, but he will lecture at other universities and in public halls on public questions and on a lot of interesting things a man learns about when he occupies for four years the biggest chair in the world.

The salary is \$5,000. Taft has a private income of \$8,000. If he can't worry along on \$13,000, his brother Charlie is always there to fall back upon.

Yes, Mr. Common People probably will approve of Professor Taft's new work.

REMAIN CALM

The health department reports that the Green river water is bad.

It is a mighty good thing that Tacoma has been enlightened on the real conditions of the water shed about which so many conflicting reports have been made that the people's minds were clouded as to actual facts.

However, now that the real conditions are before the citizens, it is useless to get excited over the reports of pollution. It is a thing that can be remedied. Police have been appointed to go up to the river to prevent pollution. The law gives the city ample power to do everything possible to deliver its citizens good, clean water, and if the city can not stop pollution of the river in the next four months it will indicate that it is not going at the job in a very vigorous fashion.

There is no immediate necessity for turning Green river into the mains. If it is done, in fact, by next May, it will be time enough.

Tacoma is enjoying its first cold wave—and so are the overcoat merchants.

Street car passengers on Christmas day often tell the conductor to keep the change. Where does the poor mormon get off?

No reason why you shouldn't have a few green branches in the house for Christmas; plenty of fir trees and ferns in the suburbs of Tacoma. Just help yourself!

Traveling man making first visit here in three years observes that we have a lot of new restaurants that are better than the ordinary. Oh, we are coming along!

Tacoma men are satisfied to let a Dakota farmer have Martina Kvalshaug without any pangs of jealousy from this section.

It remains to be seen whether the new pure food inspector's improved system will overcome the grocery boy's time-honored aversion to soap and water.

U. S. supreme court has busted the contracts made by the railroad-owned coal companies and the "independents," but we don't enlarge our coal bin until we see the railroad lawyers' next move.

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Well Let's Smile While

From Diana's Diary

Miss Dillpickles Indiscreetly Chances a Visit to a Prizefight Where Her Presence Saves the Hero from Disaster. BY FRED SCHAEFER.

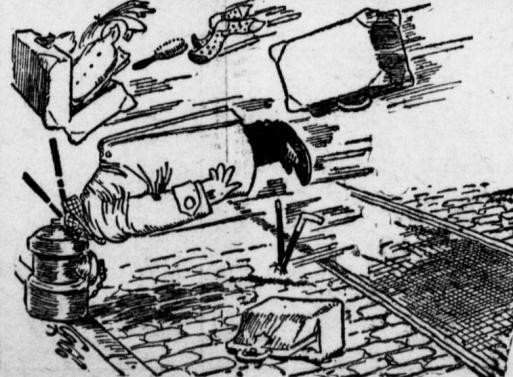
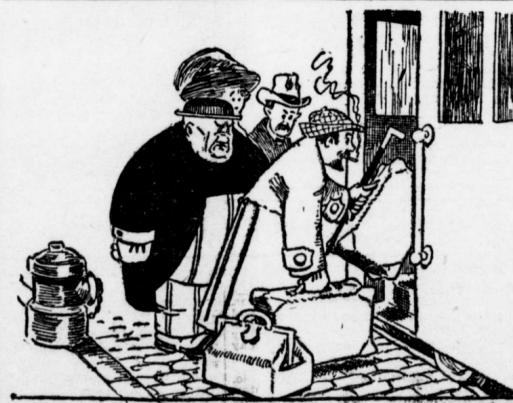


"It's mighty lucky for the kid," said brother Dudley, beaming, "that you got hungry, too!"

Such a headache! VI. Just then my brother came noisily into the house, getting in late from the scene of the battle-ground. "Dudley, who won?" I cried, anxiously. "He did not answer that at once. "In the first place," he said, "what made you leave so soon? Were you sick?" "Yes," I said. "I suppose it was the tobacco smoke in that place. It came on me right after I ate that sandwich—" "YOU ate that sandwich!" he cried. "Wow—I suspected it was doped, and NOW I know it!" Then he dragged out of his pocket a large handful of bills, from which I gathered that young Rausmitt had won. "It's mighty lucky for the kid," said brother Dudley beaming, "that you got hungry, too." I guess that expresses it. The kid has the luck and I've got the headache.

THE END. A Skillful Doctor, Dr. Peter Weidman, 82 years old, fell down stairs with a water pitcher in his hand and did not break the pitcher.—Springfield, Ill., Journal.

Outbursts of Everett True



Fatherhood. When the kid does something that vexes you And your temper flares sky-high And you hand him a spank, or shriek out a word That brings the tear to his eye, Do you ever think of a day to come When God may say to you— "Ah, you did this, and you did that— Were they pretty things to do?"

You dream that a father's love will be All kindly, gentle and mild; That His great heart will gather you up And whisper soft: "My child!" But, oh, the moment of angry hate That you deal out pain and woe To a little lad—do you ever think That God might treat you so?

How loath some men are to think that they have had the last puff out of the cigar.

Many persons who own pianos cannot play them.

Morals are the things we want other people to live up to.

Why are barbers so friendly? Is it because they like to scrape an acquaintance?

A new French automobile is so light it can be picked up and carried by the two men it will accommodate.

"Eyes always look better dotted," said the exasperated citizen as he walloped his neighbor twice over his spectacles.

NORTH POLE is located in midst of an ice-bound sea basin. South pole in midst of plateau of rock.

Considering some of the men he has to shave, you can't blame the barber for keeping a few mugs of his own.

There are plenty of reasonably happy people. What we want is a lot of unreasonably happy folk.

JOSH WISE SAYS: "Our oldest inhabitant, Bill Kainit, ain't got no p a t i e n c e with them new-fangled agriculturists who try ter reclaim a worn out farm with soil treatments. "Wut's a farm fur," he says, "but ter work ter death?"

A federal plum in Montana is offered by the government for a plumber at \$720 per who can really plumb.

In Pittsburg is a four-story house of ten rooms on a 16-foot lot.

Two Bores. The man who brags about having lots of religion and the man who brags about having none.

After the rain, the youngster goes And squashes mud up through his toes.

Nipping things in the bud raises the price of garden stuff.

CUCUMBERS are nineteenth-century water, bread but 35 per cent.

The judge fined the colonel \$5 and costs, which he paid smiling.

"An amateur dramatic performance is charitably let go with advance notice. It would be a cruel editor who'd write anything about it next mornin'."

Misdirected energy—Ending the old year with a souse.

Beginning the new year with a souse.

Asking a woman to explain her system of paging a letter.

Harvard's football coach gets \$10,000 a year. Why be a professor?—Toledo Blade.

"I have not had a drink since July 5, 1904," says Champ Clark. Far from us the desire to be inquisitive, but how, Champ, how do you manage to locate the date so definitely?

Why is it a man tips the waiter who jabs his thumb into everything except the hard-boiled eggs, and falls to tip the mail man, the grocer's boy, the garbage collector, the milk man and a few others

However, one must admit that Gen. Dan Sickles has a whole lot of financial trouble for a man without any money.

Why is it that the fat woman with no gray hairs and who wears furs and diamonds always makes the biggest fight for a street car seat in the rush hour?

TAKES SACRED PART IN CHRISTMAS MOVING PICTURE PRODUCTION



FLORENCE LA BADIE, who takes the part of Mary in "The Star of Bethlehem," a Christmas film by the Thanhouser company.

Florence La Badie, the little girl with the big eyes and high-piled hair who has won many friends as a photo player, will be featured soon as "Mary, the mother of Jesus," in the big Thanhouser picture, "The Star of Bethlehem." It is a three-reel production and will be released Dec. 24th, so that the Christmas story of the three wise men and the babe born in the manger may be told through the screen in all places where the Thanhouser film is used Christmas week. There were 200 people used in the production, which took a month to complete. Special costumes, property and scenic effects were secured so that the Biblical scenes and characters might be reproduced with fidelity.



This time of the year When the sunshine's clear And there's vigor and tang in the atmosphere, Is the best old time, it seems to me. For the spell of the wild wood's magery. Now is the time when the hunting's good And the wildlife runs through the rustling wood. Now is the time when it's good to tramp In the golden sun and the tingling air, Coming back to the cosy camp. With zest for the meal that waits you there; Now is the time when the crackling fire Is a grateful warmth in the evening's chill. When you read in the flames your heart's desire And you drowse and dream with your heart a-thrill. Now is the time for outdoor men To hit the trail for the woods again Now, when the birds are southward flying And the leaves like a carpet thick are lying. And the trees are white with the frosty rime, Now is the time!

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