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HIGHLIGHTS

OF RAG

OF THIS ISSUE

Wednesday : May 13th

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OF INJUSTICE

"Personalities On Irial"

CITY HALL at & p.m.

Tickets: 7/6, 5/, 3/6.

Saturday : May 16"

FANCY DRESS BALL

CITY HALL: 8 p.m.

Tickets 25/

RAG PROCESSION

Saturday : May 16"

"If I had a magic wand:

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POINTS



- 1. Rag is 5 days away.
- 2. Medicals so far you have done little DIGITORUM EXTRACTUM.
- 3. Do everything in your power to make the collection on Saturday a success.
- 4. A prize is offered for the following:

a) A person selling most Wits Wits

- b) Persons selling most competition tickets
- c) Best costume
- d) Best float
- 5. Collect in your own suburb.
- 6. During the procession mix with and collect in the crowd.
- 7. Support the Court of Injustice in the City Hall on Wednesday Right
- 8. Return full collection boxes to the depot next to the Jewish Guild All collection boxes must be in by 5 p.m. Saturday 16th.
- 9. Collection boxes will be available outside the S.M.C. Office on Friday morning and Rag Office, Milner Park.
- 10. DON'T LET YOUR UNIVERSITY DOWN!



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UNFORGETTABLE CHARACTERS.

A LOST COLONIAL named CLARK MCKAY

Being a rather retiring sort of bloke when I was asked to write a witty few hundred words for Auricle I asked. "Just how funny would you like them", and the editor said, "Screamingly". The funniest things I could think to write about were my colleagues in the radio business. (All solicitors' letters to be addressed to the Editor). have been in Johannesburg just ISASC

over a year and have met some really unforgettable characters such as two charming escapees from a castle in Suffolk or Nuffolk or somewhere. Peter Chiswell and Peter Cock-

RADIO ANNOUNCER burn. The latter pronounces his name quite differently from the way it's spelled. I call them the two Counts because they speak the same language and both have moustaches. And those lip hairs are something to see. Chiswell always smokes King Size cigarettes otherwise his face might catch on fire. These two popular broadcasters try to outdo each other as far as moustaches are concerned. In fact at the moment old Bill isn't in the race. One thing I can say for them is that they do love my accent. It makes them feel superior. They say about me that I am the only guy who was ever born with a silver knife in my back. That gag is an original by Ric Petterson, a producer who also has a moustache. Actually I'm jealous of them because I can't grow a moustache. My face is too fat to let the hair through. Once Peter Cockburn burped during a newsreading broadcast

and his next words were "I'll repeat that".

Another character is Douglas Laws, who, being extremely brilliant one night, while testing his telephone for his quiz, said to a very charming voiced girl on the other end of the line.... Oh Honey you sound terrific If only I was ten years younger. The reply took Mr. Laws aback somewhat..."If you were ten years younger Mr. Laws I'd adopt you." Duggie has given up speaking to

Steve de Villiers tells me that there is one sure way to get a holiday from radio announcing and that is to read out the election results. His voice during the last broadcast sounded like Eric Egan's at five past six in the morning. I think Steve is back at work now though.

A lot of my colleagues frequent the one "club" (that should read "pub") and I walked in one morning feeling like a used tube of chlorophyll toothpaste and very sorry for myself. After ten minutes listening to the other fellows' troubles, I felt perfectly wonderful. In a way radio people are very similar to University students except they are older. One close call in the biz. was when an announcer had to fill in with a record just after a solemn broadcast re. King Edward VIII's abdication. The record he had ready to play was entitled "The Merry Wives of Windsor". Unfortunately he stopped it in time.

I'll never forget the first time I met Pat Rosevear Low, the clever Johannesburg actress. She looked me over, the whole two hundred pounds of egg shaped humanity (which is me) and said: "Clark what beautiful hair you have What a pity".

Ahother unforgettable character I have met is my secretary

The sweetest girl you could meet. She has been responsible for my success. Every time she laughs at a joke I dictate to her I exclude it from the script. (Anybody know where I can get a

new secretary?)

You know? I have interviewed a great many sporting personalities in Chandler's Sporting Scrapbook and most of them are unforgettable. One thing that Jimmy Carruthers, Bill McConnell, Vic Toweel, Morris Toweel and Bobby Locke all have in common is that they can sing. Jimmy and Bill sang "Moonlight Bay" on the programme, they sounded like those two film star singing, Lionel Barrymore and Johnny Weissmuller (if you get what I mean). But Bobby Locke...folks he really means

it He even owns a Ukelele. Well all the above gentlemen and ladies I've mentioned are really wonderful people, all with a heart of gold, and I wouldn't have missed meeting them for a million pounds. Well I don't think I would, - nobody ever offered me a million. It's time I stopped typing because my tongue is dry, so this is Clark "Nitwit" McKay signing off and saying thanks for reading. I'll be back next year at the same time in the same magazine (If they ask me). Until then be good, and if you can't be good, don't worry about it.....G'bye now.





Editorial

We walked in bright and early and asked for Mr. Paul Irwin. The Commissionaire smiled and told us that Mr. Irwin never arrived before the sun rose. We bowed graciously and climbed the stairs to leave our little note on the door. The door was open. Behind the typewriter sat a man covered in early morning dew. He was typing an article for the Auricle. Thank you - Mr. Irwin: Thank you Mr. Bob Connolly and Mr. Clark McKay. We have not doubt that your contributions will go a long way to making Rag a success.

This bumper issue has taken toll of the Auricle Staff. Our usually sleepy cartoonist, went completely beserk, drew fourteen cartoons and was carried out on a stretcher. His condition is uncertain. Our mild-mannered treasurer lies in hospital. X-Ray reveals his bowels have been obstructed by a £5 note. The surgeon has no change and has decided to operate. Our glamorous secretary was last seen tearing down Esselen Street with Kronik inflammatory changes, and dear Mr. Eccles (our printer), to the confusion of his wife and family is changing into a Multigraph Machine.

As for the rest of us - well. Charlie wearily christened our craft "The Auricular Fibrillation in D flat minor", and we pushed

off.

So as the sun sinks slowly in the west and our boat sinks slowly in the Zoo Lake, we wish you - good luck and a good Rag.

Message from Rag Chairman.

Rag Day is now only 5 days away. To date the position is satisfactory, but there is still a long, long way to go. And from this point the "buck" is yours. We have done our bit. It is up to you to give us your wholehearted support on Saturaday.

We would like to have record Street Collection this year. We can only achieve this if we have a record turnout of students. And do not leave in to Tom, Dick, and Harry. We need YOU. We

need every student on Rag Jay.

Remember the collection this year joes on the whole day. In the morning collect in the suburbs, in town and in the offices and shops. In the afternoon collect at the theatres, sportsgrounds etc.

Rag is now in your hands. Good luck!

H.J. Eigalis Rag Chairman.



RAG COMMITTEE INSULTS SPORT

Rejects Monumental "Float" As "Not Being Our Kidney".

I am able to reveal exclusively--- to coin a horrendous cliche ---that the "Rag" Committee of Wits. University has insulted Transvaul sport in such a big way that the fact is not beyond the comprehension of an "all-in"



"all-in"
wrestler.
And it is an
established
scientific
fact that
three "allin" wrestlers equal
half a brain.

It was the intention of Transvaal's muscle men, not forgetting the muscular little

ladies who run around our playing fields in their underwear, to contribute to the general fun and games of the "Rag" Parade.

Yet their offer to enter a float in to-day's general traffic sharl has been rejected summarily by the "Rag" Committee. "Few of those taking part would be old alumni," said that lavish linguist, "Bolkie" van der Goldfob.

On this statement being relayed to Transvaal's sports performers, the sweet faced Abe Wiseman, who majored in Basic English at the Henry Irslinger University, commental: "Nobody's going to call me an old alumni unless he says it with a smile".

Having had a close-up view of the float which the professors of perspiration had devised, I can tell the great Johannssburg public that they are missing something. At any rate, IBRAIN-SALLIN WESTERS the



ed, would divert the sidewalk kibitzers from the annual business of counting the goose-pimples which so daintily speckle the "Rag" Queen on a cold autumn morning.

The float, representative of all that is noble in the crazy world of sport, was to be known as "This Mun's Mountain". Here are a few of the highlights which you will now be missing:

- 1) Wilf Rosenberg, snatched almost from the cradle to play for Transvaul's Rugby fifteen, singing, "Not Too Yound At All."
- 2) Recitation on Johannesburg's altitude by Jimmy Carruthers, world batumweight champion, entitled, "The Higher They are, the harder They Fall."
- 3) Valiant Viccie Toweel, beating Mrs. "Fasting"

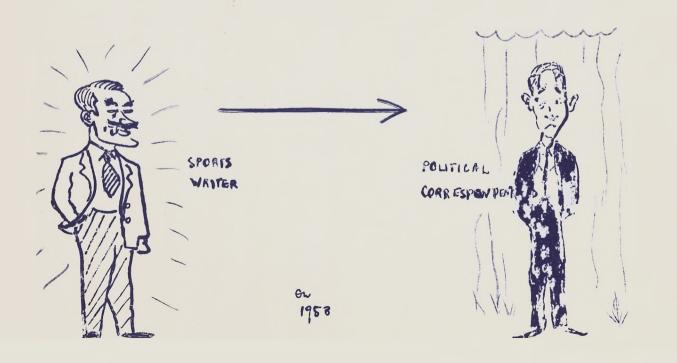
world he is a natural batamweight...all 150 odd pounds of him.

- 4) Mr. Fred Fell, South African Football Association president, and his two assistant managers on the Springbok soccer tour of Britain, appealing for another official to make a fourth at bridge, while overseas.
- 5) Lecture on the ukelele by Arthur D'Arcy Locke.
- 6) Lecture on golf by Clarence Johnston.
- 7) Tableau vivant, showing almost any South African heavy-weight, protesting from his bed that he "never gets up before ten."
- 8) "Silent" Bill McConnell, who must have been hit over the head by a long-playing record at birth, doing his best to imitate a Trappist monk.
- 9) "Tiny" Dean, champion letterwriter to the Press on the bad habit of taking too many baths, having his annual scrub-down with a blow-lamp.

- 10) Free hand-out of pins to all the racing correspondents to help them find the winner of the July Handicap.
- 11) Touching tableau of all the members of Marist Brothers soccer team being congratulated on their selection as the Springbok side to tour Britain.
- 12) All the sports writers who were wrong about the Toweel-Carruthers fight looking with disdain at all the political writers who were wrong 29 times about the last General Election.

End.





Johannesburg Child Guidance Clinic.

South Africa has a good number of mental hospitals with many patients in them. People suffering from an infinite variety of disturbances of the mind, very often the consequence of the establishment of faulty adjustment over many years. In the field of mental hygiene as much as in any other concerned with health, the importance of prevention is being realised more and more clearly. This is what the Child Guidance Clinic sets out to do - with the belief that it is sounder to tackle problems at their inception rather than at the tail end.

The Clinic treats more than thirty children each month for a great variety of disturbances ranging from temper-tantrums, timidity, night terrors, stealing, restlessness and depression. In several playrooms, provided with a variety of specially selected toys and play-materials, these children are given the opportunity of expressing their problems in the language nearest their way of thinking - the imaginative and dramatic one of play. With the assistance of the attending therapists, all with overseas experience, they discover for themselves how to deal with their difficulties. Once free of these, they can contime to develop into more balanced grown-ups. In many cases this proves to be the only way of preventing nervous breakdown in later life.

More than five hundred children are seen by the Clinic in each year. The annual number is showing an increase all along.

For more than eleven years the Clinic has struggled to render this important service under very difficult circumstances. An old residence, inadequate for our purpose in many ways, has

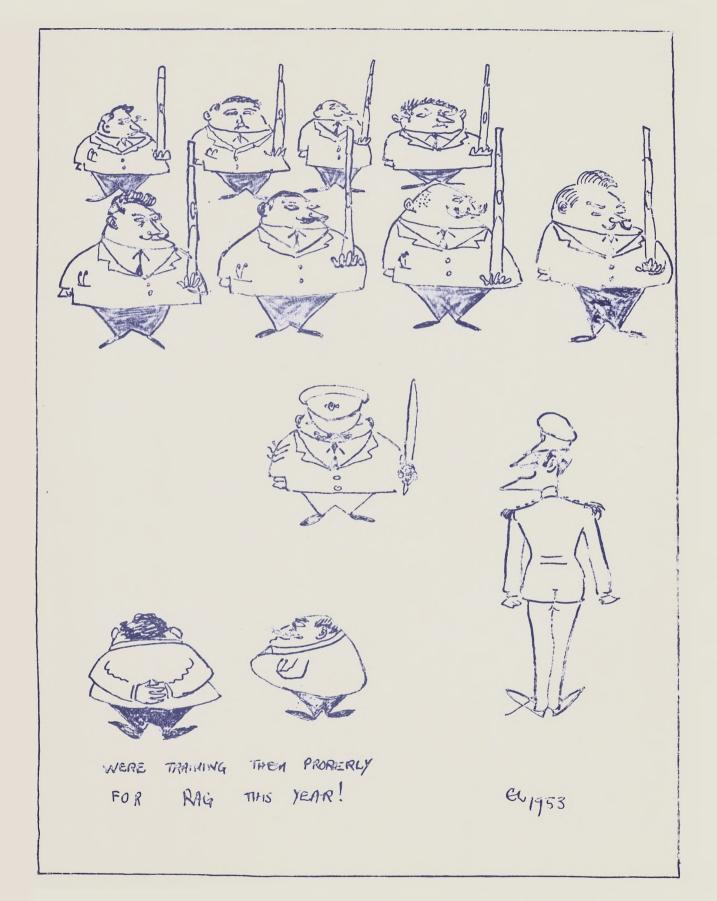
had to serve. This year we have passed a milestone. Thanks to the assistance received from the Students of your University, through your Rag Fund, we have been able to transfer to new and modern premises in Salstaff Buildings. The Clinic now occupies an entire floor which has been designed especially to meet the requirements of a modern and up-to-date Clinic.

For the first time we will be able to help these children and their parents as we would like to.

In taking this important step, the Board of Management was very conscious of the fact that the annual expenditure involved would exceed our regular income by more than £1,500. We have, however, felt this to be more than fully justified where we have the goodwill and interest of the Students of this University to support us in the invaluable work we are doing.

At the same time we endeavour to fulfil our obligations to the University in return. Not only do members of the Staff provide regular lectures to senior students of Psychology, Medicine, and Social Science, but facilities are available at the Clinic for practical training for those who wish to qualify in this field.

The Johannesburg Child Guidance Clinic is the only one in South Africa where the team principle, practised in all the well-established Clinics overseas, is used as the basis of operation. This principle allows for the necessary fusion of allied professions such as Medicine, Psychology and Social Science, a fusion so vitally essential in promotive health work.



-RAGE ENTERTAINMENTS =

The highlights of Rag entertainments are yet to come. These are the COURT OF INJUSTICE which takes place at the City Hall on Wednesday May 13th at 8 p.m. and the ANNUAL FANCY DRESS RAG DANCE at the City Hall on May 16th.

This year's Court of Injustice has been endowed with NEW VITALITY by a team of advocates, script writers, announcers, etc. In addition to the "trying" of prominent people such as the MAYOR, JIMMY CARRUTHERS, PIERRE de WET, and numerous others, two popular COMERCIAL RADIO PROGRAMMES are being parodied. Thus the organisers plan to avoid the criticism of the programme as being stereotyped. The Court of Injustice is in great need of student support and we expect as many students to attend this function as we expect to turn out on Rag Day itself. The former is as integral a part of Rag as the latter.

Rag Fancy Dress Dance speaks for itself. It is the natural climax of the day's activities and any student who is not present misses a great deal of fun and enjoyment.

CAR COMPETITION

Remember a £3. 3. 0. prize to the student selling most competition tickets. You still have time as the competition does not close until June 1st - SO GET STUCK IN. Tickets are obtainable from class representatives and at Rag Office.

DRUM MAJORETTES

The major attraction of this year's procession will be the bevy of 24 hand-picked lovelies swinging drum-majors' maces with the skill born of long weeks of hard practice. These two-dozen representatives of whatever it is that the Sorbourne girls have more of (at any rate according to Reading University's male students) really deserve praise for the way in which they have co-operated with the organisers

of the street procession. Put through a bout of training which would suffice for a drum-major in any band, they have responded excellently, and with far less moaning than we were accustomed to hear every Thursday morning on the school parade ground.

When on Saturday morning, they march in their specially designed costumes behind the band, they will not only do credit to themselves and to the University, but will at least equal, if not better, the excellent performance of their Cape Town contemporaries.

Let this be an example to all students of what can be achieved by a little co-operation and effort.

WITS WITS

Sales totals this year are higher than at any time in the past. These totals are despite the lack of student support both in the writing and the sale of the magazine. Although the financial side is extremely satisfactory, it is the opinion of the Editor that the literary standard could be considerably raised if students made an effort to write material fit for publication. As is usual at this University there is a great deal of criticism which emanates from those students who have given the least support.

NO WITS WITS MONEY MUST BE PLACED IN COLLECTION BOXES. All students claim ing to have done so, will be held personally respons-

THE DOE FAMILY AND PAGE By Pa D (With apologies to F. MAYNE)

Mrs. Doe says she is pleased to see that Freda Doe is going to Rag Fancy Dress with a very nice medical student, and in his fourth year too.

Mr. Doe says yes, he hopes that Freda Doe will get married to a budding young doctor, but he expects that she's got hold of some pompous ass, who's too big for his boots, thinks he is Lee McGregor, and talks with an affected accent, and thinks that he'll live off Mr. Doe.

Freda Doe says that she will not have her family talking this way about Ferdinand Marmaduke, and that Ferdinand Marmaduke is - thank goodness for that - not taking her family to the dance, but only her. She says that she's worried to death that Ferdinand Marmaduke will be frightened away by Willie Doe's dirty face, prickly pimples and nasty nails.

Willie Doe says that he may have nasty nails, but Freda Doe's nails are a sickly green colour and that only a dandy with a name like Ferdinand Marmaduke would allow her to get her nails so deeply stuck into him.

Bertie Doe wants to know from Freda Doe if Ferdinand Marmaduke plays rugby or chess or dominoes for the University.

He wants to know why Freda Doe does not go out with Wilf Rosenberg because Jackie Pap's sister goes out with Wilf Rosenberg and he makes money by selling his auto-something.

Willie Doe says that Wilf Rosenberg wouldn't let Freda Doe tie his tog's laces, let alone go out with her.

Mr. Doe says will they please stop this silly arguing, because he wants to read the evening paper, and the only time he has for relaxation, when he can read the evening paper, the whole family starts arguing about

family starts arguing about some rubbish, and will Mrs. Doe please tell them to stop, because the next door neighbours - those horrible people, the Smithers - can hear them.

Mrs. Doe says that Mr. Doe is a fine one to talk and why doesn't he stop them quarrelling as he's always telling her that he is the head of the family.

Bertie Doe walks in to say that Ferdinand Marmaduke has phoned to say that he has measles and can't take Freda Doe to the Rag Fancy Dress Ball.

Johannesburg Child Guidance Clinic (continued)

I would like to use this opportunity to express on behalf of the Board of Management and myself, our sincere appreciation of the assistance you give us. I sincerely trust that all students share our pride in providing this City with a Child Guidance Clinic such as has now come into existence, to provide for a modern community facilities which will ensure that its young citizens will be able to grow up into mature and well-balanced people, capable of making their contribution in return.

My best wishes for a very successful Rag.

Dr. S. Mansvelt Medical Director.

Wolf: Big dame hunter Asset: Baby donkey

Said the Reno widow, "After each divorce, I feel like a new man".

Suicide Blonde: A woman who dyes by her own hand,

Alexandra Clinic.

The Alexandra Health Centre and University Clinic has a long and intimate association with the University. The Academic Staff of the University have always played an important part in its management; many of its essential functions are possible only because of the financial aid provided by the annual robbery perpetrated by the student body.

Although there are a number of general practitioners, the University Clinic is the only organised personal health service in Alexandra. More important, however, is the fact that there is no other midwifery or preventive or promotive health

service in the township.

The importance of this service should be estimated against the background of an infant mortality of over 400 per 1000. (it should be scaled down a little because while probably all deaths are registered, some births are not.) In the season there are over 80 infant deaths a month from summer diarrhoea . In spite of these many adverse factors beyond our control. much of the disease in Alexandra is due to ignorance, and ignorance which can be appreciably affected by a health service provided it has sufficient funds. Our invaluable partner in this endeavour is the Entokozweni Family Welfare Centre.

The death rate amongst infants attending our well-baby clinic regularly is nothing like that for the general pupulation, while the still-birth rate amongst cases at the clinic is as low as any in the country, including European hospitals. It is clear then that something can be achieved by this work.

The greater part of the work

There were 36,730 consultations in 1952, and 35,503 casualties and dressings. The fees are low, and payed once only for a year's service, so that we deal largely with the poorer sections of the people. A clinic service such as this, which includes domiciliary nursing, can perhaps best be appreciated against the picture of the sick and destitue African such destitution is the very ab-

yssof desolation.

All final year medical students spend some time at the clinic, and this period is. as they all agree. as important as any in their training. For the first time they exercise real responsibility; they meet with illnesses and problems quite unknown to hospital practice, conditions which the general practitioner is constantly faced with and must know how to handle. On the other hand the students are an integral part of the Clinic; they are the mainstay of the 24 hour service which the Clinic provides.

The work of the Clinic is constantly expanding. The demand for the service grows steadily year by year and the number of patients advances inexorably. But SO DOES THE FINANCIAL STRAIN. The budget for 1952 was £22960 an enormous expenditure for a voluntary organisation to bear. In addition costs have greatly increased; the price of drugs and equipment have in many cases more than doubled over the last few years.

The more that Rag collects, the bigger the Clinic allocation. This allocation is a most important source of income for the Clinic; its value in application you can assess in terms of what

I've said above.

Dr. M. Susser

however, is the personal health service provided for sick patients. Lithographed for the Medical Students of the University of the Witwa ersrand by Weatdene Products (Pty)Ltd.

SEX CULTURE & By E.B.

It was the usual Saturday night's scene at the Zoo Lake. The 17 keto-steroids were exerting maximal effect on the cellular metabolism of the couple in the stationary automobile. Apart from the activity of the amorous pair in the interior of the car, there also appeared to be some gross irregularity underneath the chassis (of the car). Against the gentle hum of a diesel air suction pump, two figures were furtively setting up complicated apparatus on the ground.

Needless to say, Gramdoogle and Gomphosis were furthering man's understanding of the

dynamic universe,

By means of a simple electrophoretic device, a current of 2,000 volts was filtered gently through the car. This was to render the atmosphere relatively static. With his invaluable oxy-acetylene blowlamp, Gramdoogle succeeded in placing a system of bronchiolar tubes in the floor of the car, so that it was possible to evacuate the air from the ionic atmosphere around the uninhibited pair who, of course, were not aware of the great service they were going to render to science. Students are reminded at this stage, that Xenopus Laevis does not respond to pain stimuli when in emotional states.

Ever since the discovery of the libido in Gluckman's triangle in the human posterior abdominal wall, numerous research workers have attempted to excise it. Their failure has signified to Gramdoogle and Comphosis that the libido only became manifest under conditions of sexual stimulation, when it was exhuded by the lungs as ultra-microscopic neucleo-protein particles.

Gomphosis showed by X-Ray defraction that the young man and woman up above were becoming rather "hectic". The diesel pump was accelerated, and Gramdoogle skillfully removed the air from the interior of the car. The removed air was passed through a series of chemical filters to remove lipstick, scent, watervapour and SLOPS. Finally a litre of ionized libido was obtained. The anoxia was apparently unnoticed by the lovers until the male suffered fifth degree cyanosis.

Later that night, at the Medical Institute, Gramdoogle inoculated blood agar nux vomica plates with the ionized libido, and after incubation at 3,000°C obtained fascinating dew drop colonies with a peculiar configuration reading:

"But YOU, sweetheart, are

different". The significance of this is being investigated.

Horse-sense: The sense that horses have that prevents them from betting on people.

She must have a sixth sense because there is a complete lack of the other five.

Said the one telephone to the other telephone: "How did you ever get engaged with a dial like that",

Hats off to the probationer who though that "Stop Kidding" was Marie Stopes theme song.

Golf: A game in which a sphere one-and-a-half inches in diameter, is placed on a sphere 7500 miles in diameter; the idea being to hit the smaller one.





We are told by a famous operatic star that one should always clutch something tightly in one's hand when singing. So do we. It's the BOTTLE.

A prominent medical was asked "In what light do you regard semi-nudity on the stage?" "Oh, a strong light, if possible."

A lot of car accidents are caused by the drivers hugging the wrong curve.

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Then there was the absentminded professor who kissed his car goodnight and climbed into his girl.

Ode to Rebecca.

My dubble spassed
tiping is swell,
My storys on verse are
strong.
Yet nothing i rite dont
sell =
Wots rong?

Ode to Residence.

He only drinks to calm
himself,
His steadiness to improve,
Last night he got so
steady,
He couldn't even
move.

Flicks of the Weak.

The bi-focal thief (Italian)
Starring the famous comedians
Bausch and Lomb.

The Greatest Blow on Earth
(S.African)
Starring Viccie Toweel and
Jimmy Carruthers.

The Scandals of Sunnyside Starring Jane Bussel.

So Young so Bald
Starring Leslie Hairless
and
Hairy James

Daffynitions

Diploma: De man who fixes de pipes.

Sandwich spread: What you get from eating between meals.

Striptease Murder: Noodunit

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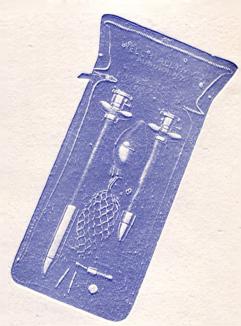
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