

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Is Samuel Goldwyn a foreigner? H. J. L.

A. Samuel Goldwyn (surname changed from Goldfish, was born in Warsaw, Poland, 1882; naturalized a citizen in 1902 in the United States, the Jesse L. Lasky Photoplay company in 1913, organized Goldwyn Pictures corporation in 1916.

Q. Is oil a cheaper fuel than coal for stoves and furnaces? P. L.

A. There is no oil burner using kerosene oil which can be said to be cheaper than coal. There are, however, oil burners on the market which use the distillate kerosene, commonly known as furnace oil or fuel oil, which is cheaper than coal. The comparative cost of the two fuels, of course, must be covered entirely by local prices of the commodities. There are two types of burners in general use—the vaporizing and the atomizing. The vaporizing type will give 150 to 175 gallons of oil a ton of coal, while the atomizing type will run from 90 to 150 gallons.

Q. Is it improper to eat the lettuce on which a salad is served? K. C. D.

A. Inclination may guide a person. The lettuce may be eaten if one chooses.

Q. What tree is it whose branches take root? A. G.

A. The department of agriculture says that you probably refer to the Banyan tree. Its branches send roots downward, which, when they have become rooted, become props, and in this manner the tree spreads over a great surface and endures for many ages.

Q. Are folk born in Alaska and the Philippines considered Americans? C. L. R.

A. People born in Alaska are considered American citizens while native Filipinos are not considered unless their parents are American citizens.

Q. What country can now send us the largest number of emigrants? M. F. B.

A. According to the new immigration quota 51,227 German immigrants are allowed to enter the United States annually. This is the largest number of immigrants allowed to enter the United States annually from any foreign country.

Q. How many kinds of trees are there in the United States? M. A. S.

A. The forest service says that there are 1,125 different species of trees in the United States.

Q. Will you send me the name of the animal whose scientific name is dicrostonyx neisoni? H. A. C.

A. The animal to which you refer is the pied or white lemming, which is found in summer and which turns white in winter. There are several races, dicrostonyx neisoni being the one inhabiting northwestern Alaska. The white lemming is found also in northern Europe and Asia.

Q. What occasioned the death of the second wife of Henry Longfellow? Q. D.

A. In 1861, Mrs. Longfellow was one day playing with her children, amusing them by scaling up bits of their curls in tiny packages. From the burning wax, Mrs. Longfellow's dress caught fire. Her death occurred a few hours later.

Q. How many persons and cars are cared for at the Washington tourist camp during the season? M. D. S.

A. The report of Col. Sherrill shows that during the last fiscal year 13,821 cars, with 44,356 persons, were registered at the tourist camp, the average length of stay being two days.

Q. What is the use of the yellow spot in the eye? E. O. M.

A. The circular yellow spot called "macula lutea" and known after its discoverer as "the yellow spot of Sommerung," is about one-twentieth of an inch in diameter. The only mammals in which it exists are man and monkey. It is the area of most distinct vision, a circumstance which may partly be accounted for by the fact that it is singularly free from blood vessels which curve around it and apparently avoid it.

Q. Is the saxophone used in military bands? D. S.

A. As long ago as before 1850, the saxophone was officially adopted as an instrument in use in French military bands. The saxophone is used in practically all military bands.

Q. What relation is Thomas Melghan's wife to Blanche Ring? J. H. S.

A. Frances Ring Melghan and Blanche Ring Creel are sisters.

Q. Has an airplane ever been launched from a dirigible? C. W.

A. This was done at the recent air races at Dayton when a small army messenger plane hooked under the car of the army dirigible TC-5 was launched. Not only can a plane be launched from an airship, but it can return to its perch by means of an automatic attachment.

Q. Did the story of Atalanta's Race by Byron originate with him? E. L. C.

A. The story of Atalanta's Race was not conceived by Byron. It is contained in Greek mythology and mentioned by Ovid in his Metamorphoses.

Q. Please tell something about the coffee tree. E. M.

A. The coffee tree, when native, develops a height of from 18 to 20 feet. Under cultivation, the tree is kept short and generally grows from 4 to 6 feet high, to increase the crop and facilitate picking. There are generally two or three main harvests in a year but the shrub bears to a greater or less degree all the year around. Coffee trees produce for from 10 to 20 years and sometimes longer.

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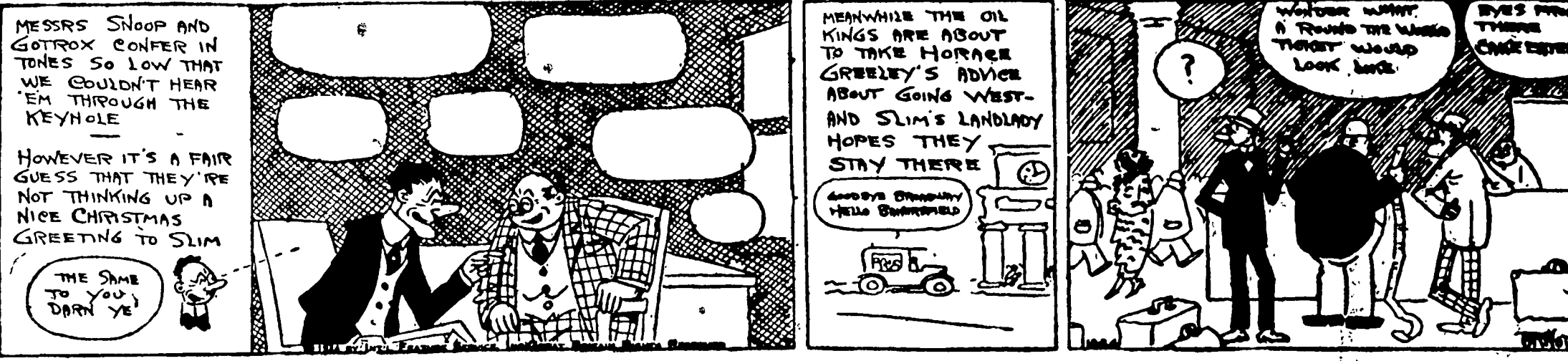
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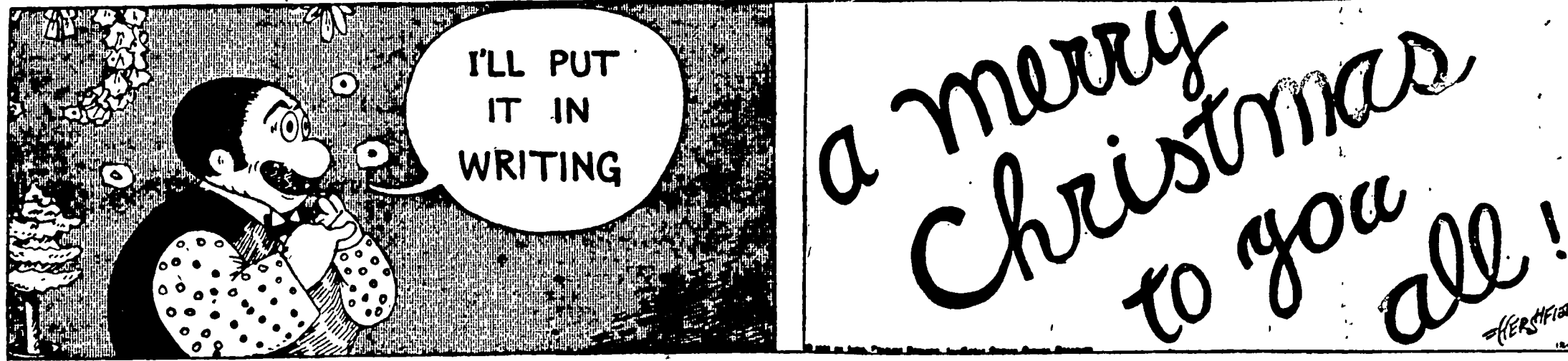
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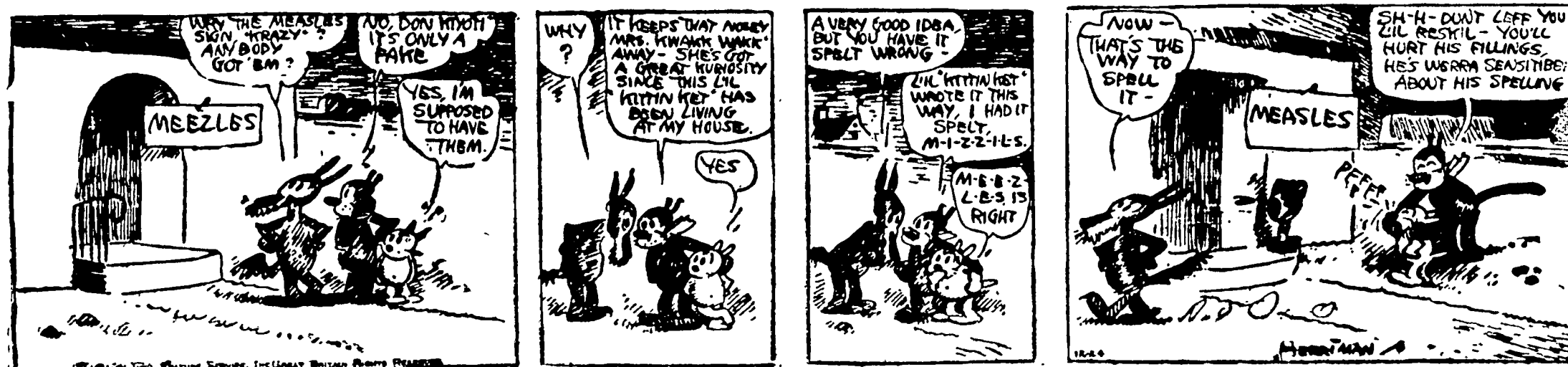
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