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In the great American paladin of the ultrathroat grammarians, the official American ready to pursue. And every year ago, he is to be called his "American Language" that "like" had already superseded "as" in our colloquial speech, and inferred, at least, that it was nothing to get excited about. The case, then, is, his home ground. Let him, therefore, abandon craven attitude and stand forth to the defence of the President of the United States as one who speaks the language actually native to his country.

Danger! Drive Slowly!

No sooner had the President's recommendations on cutting highway appropriations been read to Congress yesterday than Senator Ashurst of Arizona issued a statement in opposition to them. "With all respect," he declared, Congress "knows more about appropriations for road building than the President and the Secretary of Agriculture put together."

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But Not By Congress

(Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch) Senate Leader Barkley says it is ridiculous to think Congress could pass a bill by Christmas. And yet this great world was created in six days!

Hi Schoolers Here Spanked As Intolerant

One Of Their Number Says They Are Too Narrow In Granting Rights To Religions.

Dear Sir: I am a student at a local high school, and I am disappointed in my fellow-students. It's this way: the American history classes are now wading through their study of the Constitution, and one day last week the question of freedom of speech, press, assembly, and religion came up.

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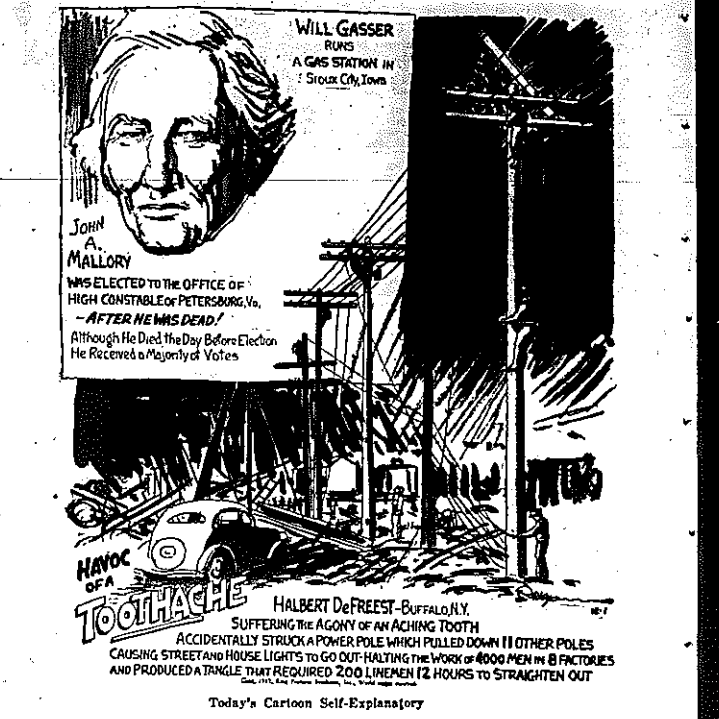
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BELIEVE IT OR NOT By Ripley

On request, sent with stamped, addressed envelope, Mr. Ripley will furnish proof of anything depicted by him.



Today's Cartoon Self-Explanatory

IT SEEMS TO ME

It is surprising to learn that Harvard made money during the fiscal year of 1936-37. The amount was hardly sufficient to make a dividend payment likely. To be precise, the income was \$10,712,241 and the expenses \$10,246,922.

HOOT, MON! A BONNY, BRAW DAY!

Last Friday was a dreary day. Low-hanging clouds; rain, driven by a sharp wind, pelting you in the face; a penetrating chill in the air. With a heart full of curses against the whole sweep of the elements, I met, in front of the bank, Mrs. George B. Logan, native of Aberdeenshire, Scotland, where Arctoborn igloo gales come roaring in from the North Sea during a large part of the year and where the people feel that the fires of hell are near at hand when the temperature rises above 30. The gas barometer, and she wore a broad smile. There was a hint of swag in her walk as she greeted me with a wave of the hand and said: "This is what I call good-reeous weather!"

FOOTBALL MEN OUGHT TO GET A BONUS WHEN THEY MAKE COLLEGE GOOD JACK

A few years ago the answer would have been easy. It was then that Lucius Beebe, an undergraduate, suggested that Harvard send Yale three professors and \$50,000 in exchange for a backfield. Bill McGreelan publicized the plan and I believe the proposal was carried almost two to one in a referendum of the student body. Nothing was done about it at the time.

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