## Where is "Bill" Fields' Missing Money? **Tales of Eccentric Comedy King**

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Calling all bankers! Have you an account in a queer sounding "greatest juggler on earth" did he attempt a reconciliation. He chelstern, Mahatma Jeeves, Pro-fessor Curtis T. Bascomb, or ner Snavely - that was opened some years ago by an

If you have, it is very likely that your bank is holding some of the missing money of the comedian W. C. Fields who died n Christmas Day eight years

The great comedian had often starved as a tramp before his genius lifted him to wealth and he experience had left him with a horror of ever again being

Wherever he went, on tours that carried him around the orld, he would open a new bank account by paying in most of his weekly pay cheque and name. Then he would go away leaving the money in the bank and apparently forget all about

In time he came to have about 800 bank accounts in banks all When he died his executors set out to try to trace these ac-

and after eight years they have acceeded in running down only thirty of them. ome hundreds of thousands

of dollars earned by this king of comedy remain undiscovered they lie in idle acounts in Europe, America, South Africa and Australia to the credit of Professor Septimus Schmellinghorne, Henry J. Spitzburger

Nevertheless, Field's recover able estate amounted to nearly million dollars. He willed that it should be used to build a ome for white orphans. This man's fear of being short of money, a heritage from the days when he slept on park benches, under newspapers, also

led him to carry enormous sums about on his person. Once when setting out for California in his limousine, he showed New York reporters \$350,000 he was carrying-in 1,-

His legacy to white orphans was not without its ironic side. Claude William Dunkenfield, as he was until the stage discovered his better-known name for him, was one of the few men to try seriously to make himself an arphan. Up till the age of eleven he lived with his father, a struggling fruit pedlar in Philadel phia. Father Dunkenfield chas-

tised his son. One story says that Fields ruined some of his father's stock with clumsy practising of the juggling art of which he was later to become such a master. Another story says that Pa Dunkenfield stepped on a shovel and barked his shins, and to teach his son not to leave such things about, Pa hit Claude Wilam on the shoulder blade. Whatever the cause there

was a misunderstanding which Claude William made worse by ambushing his father and dropping a heavy wooden box on his head. Pa was knocked out by it and Claude William seized the opportunity to leave home and never return. Only when he was famous and

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sent home a letter and ten dol-

In later years he had a mansion in Hollywood with the usu al lavish swimming pool. But he could never be persuaded to use it. In fact, he shuddered violently every time he saw it. The reason was that in his teens he had got his first professional engagement as a jug-gler and drowner-or, rather, "drownee"—on an amusement pier in Atlantic City, New

Jersey, for ten dollars a week and cakes.

The pier charged no admission to see Fields and the other artists, but made its profits from the sale of sandwiches and beer When business was good Fields juggled. When it was bad he "drowned": that is, he would fall off the end of the pier and pretend he was drowning in order to draw a crowd.

The "rescue' would be carried out by a fellow-artist, a swordswallowere Saved, Fields would be carried into a bar and rolled on a barrel while barkers urged sandwiches and beer on the on-

When he was hailed as the greatest comedian in the world, W. C. Fields presented us with a heavy, belligerent, pompous fi-gure with a fruity alcoholic nose. As he would sometimes admit, the nose was not made-up but had been acquired with the help of whiskey and gin bottles. Once Fields and his booking agent, Billy Grady, were lavishly entertained with Irish whis-key by a friend. They left their

host's Long Island (New York) home at four o'clock in the morning in Fields's car. In the back of the car were several quarts of whiskey—a parting gift. Their minds were hazy but they had an idea it was snowing. When their minds cleared, a tropical sun was shining in the hotel window and palm trees were waving before their eyes. Fields was relieved to learn that Grady saw the palm trees, too. They rang the bell and the waiter surprised them with the news that they were in Ocala, Florida

Worried, Fields hurried to look at his car; there wasn't a scratch on it. The perfect timing that had enabled Fields to juggle anything-eggs, boards, cigars, hats canes, frying-pans, dishes, shoes, flat-irons, cigar boxes-did not desert him when he was driving a car. Deep in his cups, Fields could juggle five ivory

Once during his juggling act his hat and his cigar dropped together by accident. Without any excitement, Fields caught both and juggled them along with the rest and in good time restored hat and cigar to their proper places. This got such a good laugh that Fields from then on made it part of his act. Fields got on well with all the other performers on the same bill—with the exception of what the profession calls "fly-catchers." These are comedians who get their laughs by grimaces and pretending to catch flies and

audience was laughing at the

wrong places during an act in

which a billiard table and cue

were the props. Eventually, he

found a comedian called Ed

Wynn under the table, catching

"I'll kill him if he does that

Wynn took the hint for some

the cue down on Wynn's head.

Wynn fell on his face with a

loud groan and the audience

howled with laughter at what

they thought was well-panned

comedy business. From time to time Wynn would let out a low

audience. Fields later incorpo-

Difficult in his last years,

they took a full page In Memoriam notice in a Los Angeles pa-

per. It ran:
"To the most prejudiced, hon-

so-called film colony. We loved him — and peculiarly — he loved

It would upset Fields if he

could know of his missing thousands of dollars. But he

would have the last laugh any-

way-at all the trouble he's been

All I know is what I read in

causing his lawyers.

again!' stormed Fields.

quantity of baking soda is added to it. Q. How can I keep white blouses from turning yellow? A. White blouses will keep white if a small amount of borax other insects. Fields used stage is added to the warm soap sud Rinse in water containing a litproperties to get his laughs, and he got them by building up sustle bluing. pense gradually.
One night Fields found the

Q. How can I prevent having lumps in the tablecloth? A. There will be no lump in the center of the tablecloth when it is put on the table after laundering, if it is folded three times lengthwise before it is folded

Q. How can I make a substitute for linoleum? A. Stretch a worn brussels carpet wrong side up and apply



brown sugar over top. Bake 25 or 30 minutes at 350° F

Sweet potato pudding is considered a real delicacy. You and your family will probably like

it too, and here's now to make

SWEET POTATO PUDDING

½ teaspoon cinnamon ¼ teaspoon each, cloves, all-

2 cups brown sugar 4 tablespoons melted butter Beat egg slightly. Add

other ingredients and mix well

Pour into a but ered baking dish

Bake at 325° F. for 45 minutes,

or until well browned, stirring

Now that we're "down south"

here's an ancient recipe for com

bread — easy to make and. I might add, with the proper ac-

animents, very easy to eat.

CORN BREAD

cup yellow corn meal (scant)

1 cup flour 2 teaspoons baking powder ½ teaspoon salt

Sift together corn meal, flour,

alt, baking powder, and sugar.

hortening. Pour batter (it will

Add egg and milk and stir quick-

ly until well mixed. Stir in

be rather thin) into greased pan

Every addition to true know-

-Horace Mann

ledge is an addition to human

1 cup milk 2 tablespoons shortening.

spice, and salt 2 cups milk

occasionally. Serves 8.

And enjoy!

1 egg

1/4 cup sugar

melted

and bake at 400° F.

1 'egg 3 cups grated raw sweet potato

ery experts for a big manufacturer of cooking oil have come up with a recipe for a no-roll pastry which is made right in the pie-plate. No mixing bowl —

bread board — no rolling pin sounds incredible, doesn't it? This pastry is said to be quick and easy to mix; they do say that it never gets tough, never shrinks, never balloons and always stays erisp no matter how moist the filling

All you do, for a single crust, is sift into a pie pan these dry ingredients: 14 cups sifted flour, 11/2 teaspoons sugar, and 1 teaspoon salt. In measuring cup, combine ½ cup oil with 2 tablespoons cold milk; whip with fork and pour all at once over flour mixture. Mix with fork until flour is completely dampened.
Press evenly and firmly with fingers to line bottom of pan; then press dough up to line sides and partly cover rim. Be sure to press dough in uniform thick ness. To flute, press dough lightly with fingers. Do not use a high,

fluted edge.

For baked shell, prick entire surface of pastry; bake at 425° F. 12 minutes, or until lightly browned. Cool before filling. For

According to the lady who sent it to The Christian Science Monitor this cake recipe is "almost fool proof and the cake is delicious even if it falls." It's easy to make, requires no frost ing, and keeps well.

1 cup flour 1 teaspoon soda the spot and placing a warm iron over the raper. Do not have

unbaked shell with filling such as custard, pumpkin, or pecan, bake at 400° F. for 15 minutes, then reduce to 350° F. and bake two coats of floor paint, 24 hours until crust is lightly browned and filling tests done. apart. After this, use one or two

O. How can I remove spots from wall paper? FRUIT COCKTAIL CAKE A. If dry bran is rubbed on the spots it will absorb a good dea of the grease and dirt. Grease 1 cup sugar 1 cup fruit cocktail (small can) spots can also be removed by using blotting paper, placing over

THEY CALL IT "UNICYCLIST"—Solemn-faced Terry Bociurkiw has

never seen a creature quite like the skinny, many-limbed one

one on the wheel, and who has? Called simply "Unicyclist," the

modernistic statue by Raymond Finak was shown at the outdoor

sculpture exhibit. The conventional statue in the background and

the stone dice player at right doesn't seem to interest two-year-

coats of waterproof varnish.

Q. How can I give a fluffines

A. After washing and drying

woolen blankets, whip them

with a carpet beater. It will make the wool light and soft

How Can I?

Q. How can I remove the lime deposit from a teakettle?

ter. If the kettle is aluminum or

iron empty it and heat it cau-

expands the metal the deposit will crack and can then be re-

moved. If there is not much de-

posit it can sometimes be re-

moved with vinegar if allowed

to stand in the kettle until the

lime dissolves. Add a little salt

to the vinegar. The deposit is dissolving if little bubbles ap-

Q. How can I make a good solution for cleaning painted

A. Use 1 cup of kerosene, 1 cup

of vinegar; 1 cup hot water. Ap-

ply with a cloth, then wipe thoroughly with another soft

Q. How can I avoid frosting

A. Add a half teaspoonful of baking soda to the boiling frost-ing and it will keep it from run-

Q. How can I get rid of centi-

pedes?
A. House centipedes feed on

roaches, flies, spiders, and other

pests so if one is seen in the house allow it to go on its way as it is really helpful.

Q. How can I sweeten cream that has turned slightly sour?

A. It can be sweetened and be

used for coffee without curdling

or tasting sour, if a very small

walls?

that runs?

tiously and slowly. As the heat

A. This is caused by hard wa-

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springs from

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Men who think of tomorrow practice moderation today

THE FARM FRONT John Russell Brown sugar Sift soda with flour. Add cept brown sugar and mix well (it is not necessary to beat).

As areas become more densely opulated adequate sources of vater for household and indus-Unfortunately many of our rivers have become contaminated by wastes from household and industrial waste water. As it is often necessary to use water from such sources it must first be made safe, otherwise disease in the water supply.

Suspended material may be removed by settling and filtraion. Settling is carried out in large tanks or reservoirs, the coarser material, mud, sand, etc., being allowed to settle out. Fine suspended or colloidal material may be precipitated by the addition of aluminum salts, after which the water may be passed through beds of sand which act as filters in removing the finer material. These treatments are necessary in areas where the available water contains suspended material. regions fortunate enough to have a source of clear water, free from suspended material, such treatment is not needed.

The final treatment whether clarified by artificial means, is chlorination.

Chlorine is a heavy greenish yellow gas having the property of forming hypochlorous acid when dissolved in water. This substance is very active chemi-cally, reacting with organic material in water and having a germicidal effect on any teria present.

In practice, liquid chlorine is metered into the water supply after chemical tests have determined the amount necessary. The concentration of chlorine is estimated in parts of chlorine per million parts of water. A light excess of chlorine or "residual" is allowed, usually about ½ part per million. \* \* \*

Attempts on the part of pub-lic health authorities to imple-ment chlorination of water supplies usually meet with opposi-tion from various segments of the public. Since the arguments against chlorination are usually based on faulty premises, it may be interesting to discuss them. The most common statement "chlorine is poisonous, therefore it should not be used" is apparently based on the fact that elemental chlorine is an irritant gas, and will if inhaled, have serious effects on the have serious effects on the lungs However, chlorine does not appear in drinking water in the gaseous state. Being a very active element it combines read ily with organic and other materials present in water. In this form it is no longer a gas, nor is it an irritant in the concen tration normally used, measured in parts of chlorine per million of water. In the combined state, toxic than is table salt, another chlorine compound, of which the average individual uses considerable amounts.

The unpleasant flavour said to result from chlorination is oddly enough due to the use of insufficient chlorine in the treatment of material present, r. sufficient excess must be added to give a 'residual" of chiorine wise the chlor phenois formed by reaction of chlorine with organic material will persist, causing unpleasant flavours.

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PUZZLE

tion to chlorinate the home supply. This may be accomplished by the addition of a few drops of any commercial hypochl solution to each gallon of water. No flavour results, but the water

No ill effects have been found

to result from absorption of chlorine from drinking water, so there is no cause for fear in this

In summer camps, farms and homes using well water or

water from sources open to cor

A saving of 256 hours of labor and 42 miles of walking in a year, resulted from changes in at a cost of less than ten dollars. This new routine saved almost one month a year in chore time, reports the Economics Division, Department of Agriculture, Ot tawa, after a study of labor costs on over 1,000 Ontario dairy

In 1949 the owner of this dairy farm became a member of the Dairy Herd Improvement Association of Ontario. Shortly after receiving some literatur on the time and motion techon the time and motion technique of studying dairy barn chores he decided to enlist the help of a friend who was in sympathy with his aims. While the farmer went about his tasks in the usual manner his friend accorded the time required for recorded the time required for all jobs performed and the dis-

On analyzing the results, it was revealed that the operator required only 6¾ minutes and 354 steps per cow per day to do the summer chores. A similar study during the winter months showed that 141/2 minutes and 636 steps were needed per cow per day to do the chores. The farmer was not satisfied, so with a very few minor alterations at little expense, increased his labor efficiency to the extent tioned, and still maintained the high quality of milk that

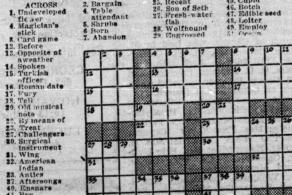
Changes in chore routine such as those tried by this dairy farmer can be made on any farm. Usually it requires only a questioning attitude towards every part of the routine and recognition of the need for change. For further informa-tion on this subject write to the Information Service, Canada Department of Agriculture in Ottawa and request Publication 913-Labor Analysis of Dairy Barn Chores. OPTIMISTIC

Two friends who hadn't met for some time bumped into each other unexpectedly. "And how's business?" asked one. "Didn't you hear?" was the reply. "I lost the lot last year. The place was burned down and I wasn't insured."
"Too bad,' commiserated his

friend. "But now's the wife?"
"Dead," was the mournful reply. "Knocked down by a bus' "Oh, I'm sorry-what about the family? "Too bad! The boy has landed

himself in prison.' "Well,' said the friend, trying to sound cheerful, "and how are you doing yourself?" "Oh, fine," came the breezy

reply. "I've got a new line. seil lucky charms." 8. Search for food 34. Rubbed out
9. Macaw
10. Shred of cloth
11. Paim leat
19. Monkey
21. Gaelic sea god
24. Footless
25. Harem room
26. Footless
27. Kite
28. Jury Hsts
39. Harem room
44. Gaming cubes



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... Fashion Hints ...



ARNEL, THE NEWEST OF MAN-MADE FIBRES, has been woven into this yellow flannel afternoon dress. The tunic top features standaway neckline finished with an organza bow. The slim skirt has a back for walking ease. This dress was shown at the "Panorama of Canadian Fabric and Fashion" April 21 to 23 at the Montreal Mount Royal Hotel. The event was sponsored by the entire Canadian textile industry.

THUMB

Save it and Dig it in One of the very best substiwhich is simply a fancy name for any vegetable refuse, grass clippings, weeds, straw or even clean garbage, which has been mixed or covered with soil, piled in a corner, watered occasional-ly and allowed to decompose. This process is called composting and every experienced gardener will have a compost heap hidden away at the back of the garden where this decomposing or rot-ting does on. The process is hastened by an occasional soaking with the hose and also with some of the special bacteria pre-parations available at any seed

tilizer, mixing this well with the The careful gardener will not waste anything that will rot down. All weeds, either pulled or cut, any grass clippings or leaves. are piled on the compost heap. or if we have not such a thing,

store. To the compost heap we can also add some chemical fer-



they will be dug under right in the garden and immediately. This material will add loose bulk to any soil, making light sand more retentive of moisture and loosening up clay and making it more friable or easier to culti-vate. From a Little Space

get tough. Their natural sugars

turn to starch and despite water

and special wrappings they lose

crispness. And as for vitamins it is a well known fact that they

are among the most perishable

For the average flower gar

den, whether big or small, plant-

by those with experience. This

means, instead of single plants

or straight rows, we set out a group of one variety and poss

ibly colour. Where space is lim-

ited this will mean only two or three asters, zinnias, marigolds

balsam, and so on, in one clump

or group, then something else, and so on until the whole bed

is planted. Generally the taller

things go at the back, the med-

ium in the centre, and the little

edging things like lobelia, alys-

sium, dwarf zinnias, marigolo

well not to be too particular Here and there we bring some

of the taller things forward. This all makes for informality

and if we pian a little, for con-tinuous bloom, a variety of col-

and so on, in the front. But it is

ing in clumps is recomm

things known to man.

For a Real Show

alt is simply astounding the amount of vegetables that can be produced from a little plot ten to twenty feet each way. And not only is big volume possible ere is another advantage and that is high quality vegetables ready for salad or pot right at the door. It is usually possible to buy vegetables Actual time-studies reveal heaply in this country during the summer months, but no matter how close the corner fruit store is, it is just impossible to get certain things that compare in freshness with those harvested from our own garden. Take peas or corn, or lettuce or radish, all these vegetables quickly lose their freshness. In a few hours, and in the city we are lucky to get vegetables less than 24 hours old, they start to dry out and

When Buying Meat

How would you score at a meat-judging contest? If you're about average among Canadian housewives, you buy close to 600 pounds of meat a year. And if you shop at self-service counters, you are judging meat several times a week. All this experience should make you something of an authority. But if you are doubtful, here are

some pointers.
When buying beef, choose cuts that are a deep rather than a bright red. Be sure the texture is velvety smooth, not wet and shiny. The fat should be thick, white and hard—never yellow or a creamy shade. Scrutinize the bone, too. It should be pink with a soft-looking covering. If it's a rolled roast for Sunday er, the lean should be well marbled with veins of fat. An important point to remember about self-service red meats is that they must all be packaged when the appetizing color is at its brightest. This is from 15 to 30 minutes after they have been cut and exposed to the air. So, that deep red color is a fairly accurate guide.

**Points To Check** 

The only difference between prepackaged cuts and meat sold service counters is in the trimming. Usually ready-wrapped cuts are trimmed a little closer. Tranparent wrapping materials such as cellulose film reveal meat in its true quality and color. They are the shopper's invitation to pick up the cuts and examine them closely. Color again is the key to pork.

A pink color means fresh meat. But check the fat and texture, too. Pork fat is a reliable indicator of the meat's flavor and tenderness. It should be thick, white and wax-like. Fat which is yellow, thin or soft looking is not characteristic of first-grade

pork. The lean portion should be fine in texture.

Veal is also bought by color, but the shade is more dificult to describe. Some authorities refer to it as a creamy beige-pink Don't be tempted by veal which is too red or coarse-grained. As a rule, this kind of meat has very little fat, but what there is should be delicate and clear

The color key to the best lamb. is a medium rose. The lean is a lighter shade than beef and should never be a dull or a muddy red. The texture is fine and smooth and the fat very white, thick and hard. As the season progresses lambs grow larger. So the biggest chops and legs are not always the tastiest.
A leg of lamb shouldn't weigh

any more than seven pounds.

General darkening of uncooked meat is usually caused by insufficient oxygen, resulting in gradual evaporation of the juices and shrinkage. Special "Celophane" films have been developed to retard dehydra-tion by permitting the proper transmission of oxygen. Beef, pork, year and lamb packaged in these films will maintain their fresh color up to 48 hours when kept at a temperature hovering around 32 degrees

Fahrenheit.

Any spotty discoloration which might occasionally be found can usually be attributed to foreign matter or the presence of bone dust or unsanitary handling of meat. However, since prepacked meats are bot jected on appearance alone, re-liable butchers are alert to the critical importance of careful and sanitary handling.

that a shopper can go through a



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R. Barelay Warren, B.A., B.D. Uzziah's Strength and Failure 2 Chronicles 26:3-5, 16-21.

Memory Selection: The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. Habakkuk 2:20.

Uzziah ascended the throne of Judah at the age of sixteen. He continued as monarch for fifty-two years though for a considerable period Jotham was the real ruler. The length of his reign was exceeded only by that of Manasseh, a later king of Judah. Uzziah "did that which was right in the sight of the Lord.and he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the Lord. God made him to prosper." He overthrew his enemies and strengthened his defenses. The record of the things that were done in Judah sounds almost like a list of the things we do today — buildings, roads, wells, farms, flocks, crops — all

prosperity.

But "it takes a lifetime for a man to go right, for a man can go wrong in a day." "When he was strong, his heart was lifted up to his destruction; for transgressed against the Lord his God, and went into the temple of the Lord to burn incense upon the altar of incense." When the priests opposed him he be-came angry. Then God smote him with leprosy and he hasted to leave the temple. The rest of his days he spent in a separate

Success is often more dangerous than adversity. Men are prone to become lifted up in pride and forget God. "Pride goeth before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall."

Proverbs 16:18. How many have fallen!

Uzziah's spirit is still sinful though the particular deed would not have the same significance today. Since the rending of the veil at the time for Jesus' death the way into the immediate presence of God is open to all. "Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way
—let us draw near with a true
heart in full assurance of faith."
Hebrews 10:19-22.

self-service meat department in 41 per cent less time than she spends at one with butchers in attendance. Sensitive or timid souls sometimes prefer selfservice simply because it allows them to choose without embarrassment the cheaper but highly nutritious cuts when they have over-spent their housekeepin, budgets on other victuals.

Upsidedown to Prevent Peeking





CAUTION - AND HOW! - Swarming bees on the yellow sector of an El Centro, Calif., traffic light emphasized "caution" to everyone approaching. The bees were attracted by the light and built the "beard" (arrow). The left only when removed by hand into a cardboard box by Morgan Short, a Calipatria farmer who happened to be passing.

time. (Fields had punched another "fly-catcher" for much the same thing.) Then one night in Getting there is half the fun ... Boston, Fields found the laughs coming at the wrong time again, and he caught Wynn at his "flycatching" under the billiard table. Enraged, Fields brought For a relaxed, fun-filled crossin to Britain or the Continent. go Cunard! Now, less than 6 days from Montreal! howl to the huge delight of the "ASCANIA" May 17
Montroal Liverpool rated this episode into his act. Fields took to ambushing his closest friends. But when he died on Christmas Day in 1946 June 11 Montreal—Liverpoo est and beloved figure of our . . . . . . . . . . "SAXONIA" June 22
Montreal - Greenock, Liverpool Montreal June 29
"SCYTHIA" June 29
Ouebec Havre, Southar "ASCANIA" July 5

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