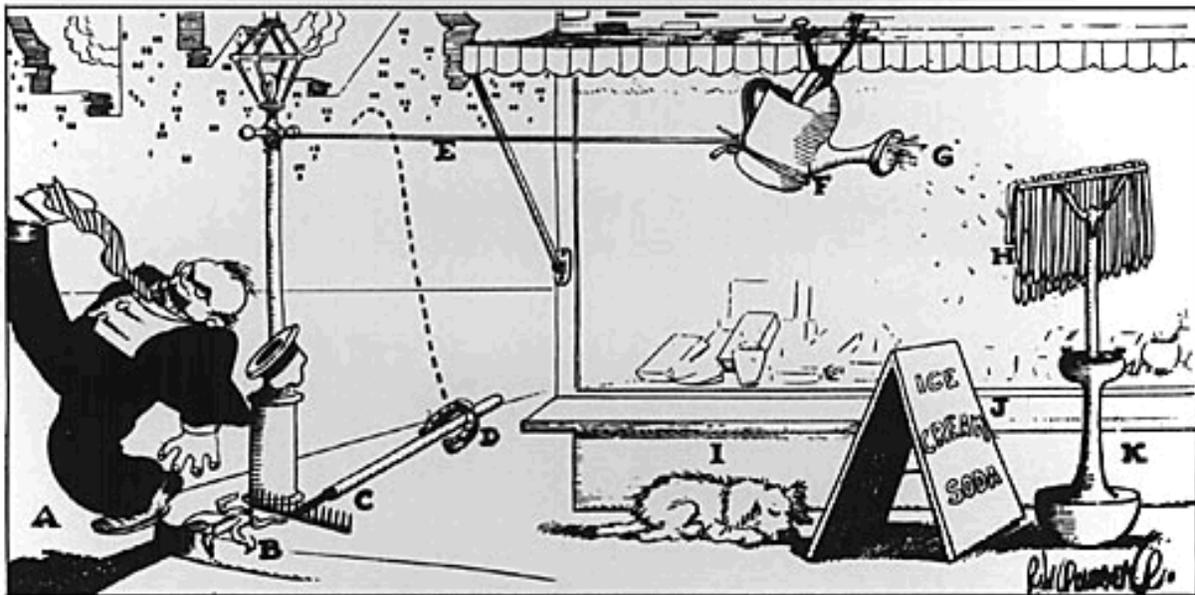


RUBE GOLDBERG GALLERY

Through his wacky cartoons which depict the most elaborate and ridiculous devices to accomplish the most mundane tasks, RUBE GOLDBERG'S "INVENTIONS" have become synonymous with any maximum effort to achieve minimal results. His ingenious drawings follow their own impeccable logic, demonstrating that the unnecessary can also be the mother of invention - often with hilarious results. Rube's audience spans generations, from adults well versed in the promise and pitfalls of modern technology to younger fans who are intrigued by the creativity and possibility of invention.

Rube Goldberg's "Inventions" :



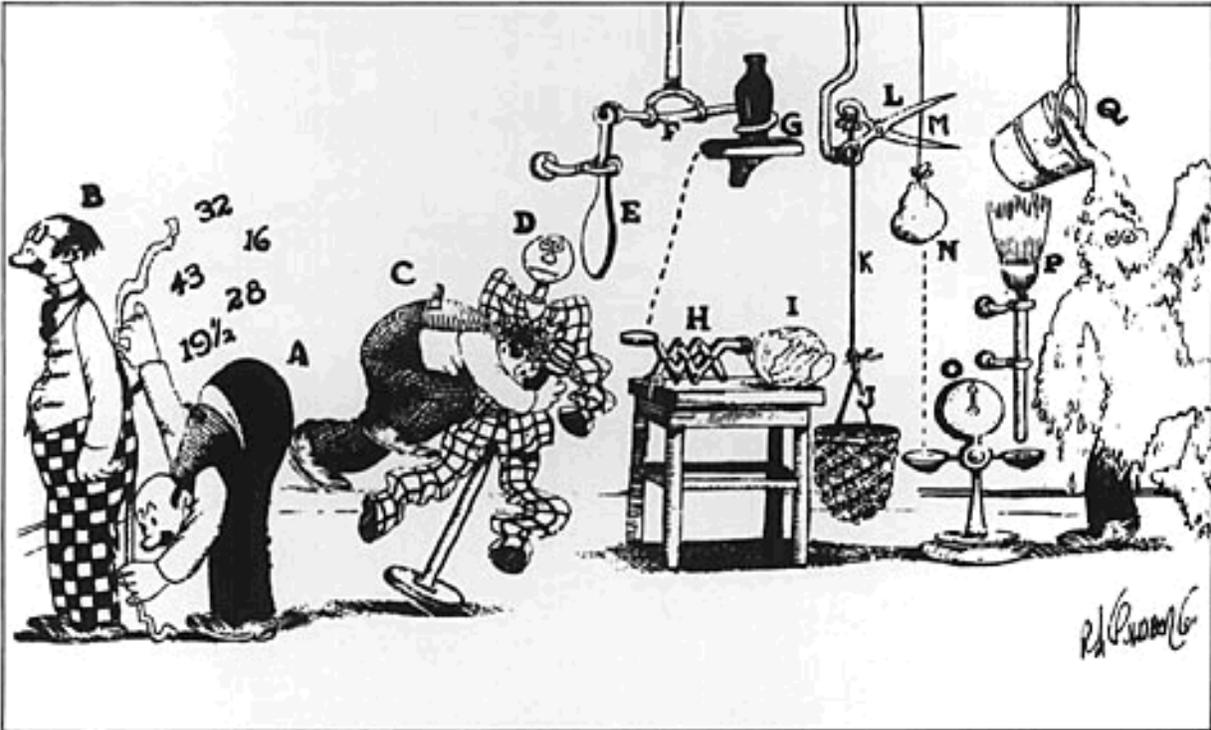
How To Keep Shop Windows Clean RUBE GOLDBERG (tm) RGI 031

Rube Goldberg stands in front of an x-ray and sees an idea inside his head showing how to keep shop windows clean. Passing man (A) slips on banana peel (B) causing him to fall on rake (C). As handle of rake rises it throws horseshoe (D) onto rope (E) which sags, thereby tilting sprinkling can (F). Water (G) saturates mop (H). Pickle terrier (I) thinks it is raining, gets up to run into house and upsets sign (J) throwing it against non-tipping cigar ash receiver (K) which causes it to swing back and forth and swish the mop against window pane, wiping it clean. If man breaks his neck by fall move away before cop arrives.



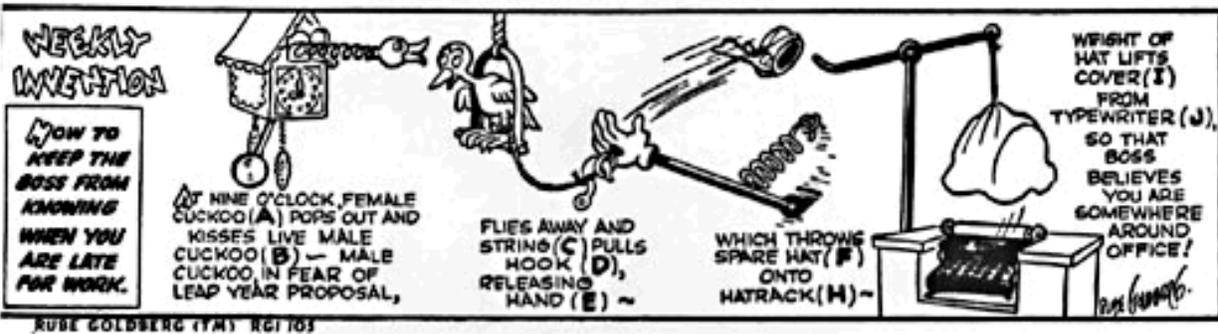
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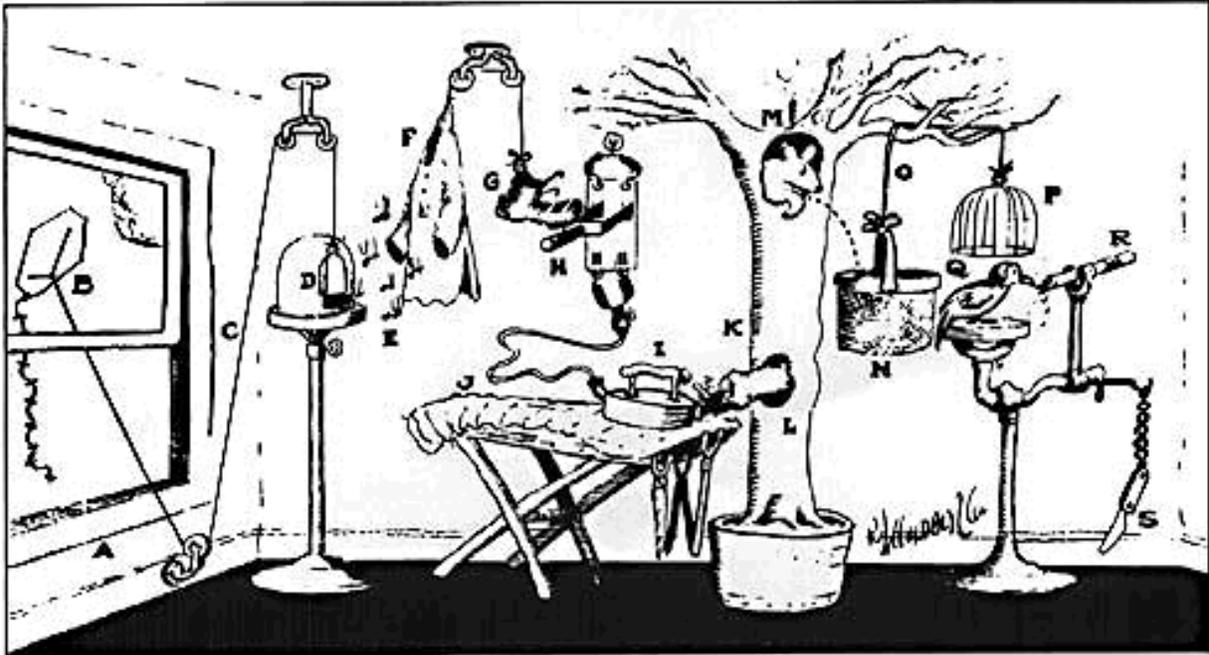
Idea For Dodging Bill Collectors RUBE GOLDBERG (tm) RGI 046

Rube Goldberg mistakes a lot of broken glass for bath salts and when they pull him out of the tub he mumbles an idea for dodging bill collectors. As Tailor (A) fits customer (B) and calls out measurements, college boy (C) mistakes them for football signals and makes a flying tackle at clothing dummy (D). Dummy bumps head against paddle (E) causing it to pull hook (F) and throw bottle (G) on end of folding hat rack (H) which spreads and pushes head of cabbage (I) into net (J). Weight of cabbage pulls cord (K) causing shears (L) to cut string (M). Bag of sand (N) drops on scale (O) and pushes broom (P) against pail of whitewash (Q) which upsets all over you causing you to look like a marble statue and making it impossible for you to be recognized by bill collectors. Don't worry about posing as any particular historical statue because bill collectors don't know much about art



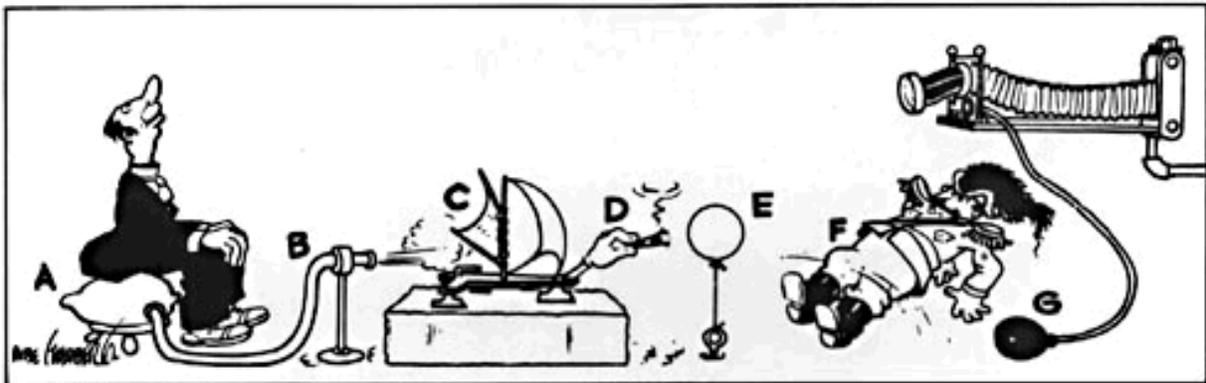
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Keep the Boss from Knowing You're Late



Pencil Sharpener RUBE GOLDBERG (tm) RGI 038

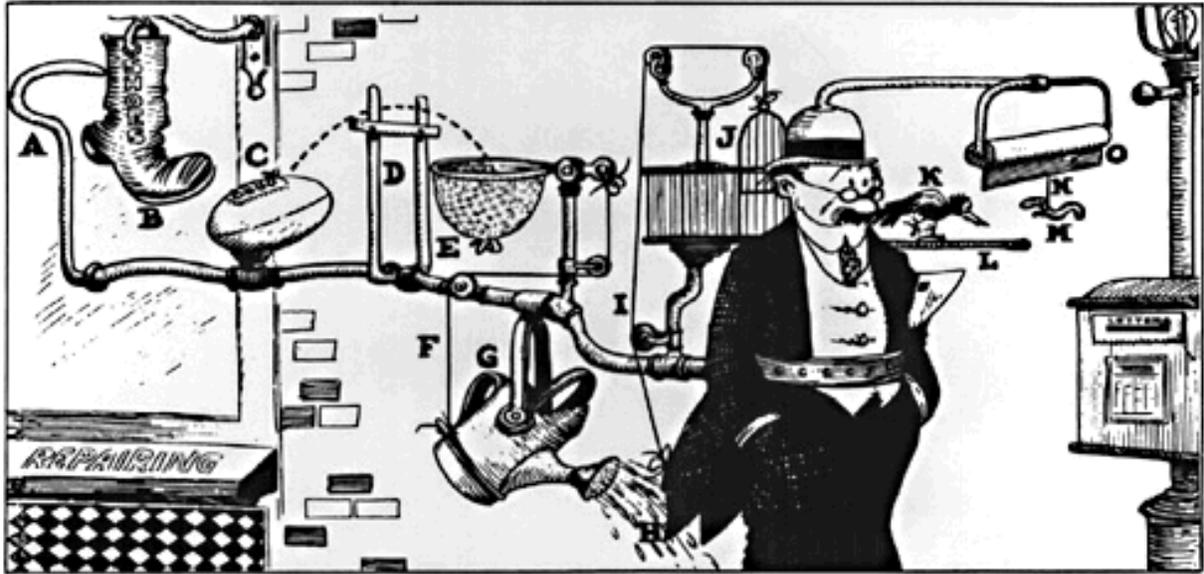
Rube Goldberg gets his think-tank working and evolves the simplified pencil-sharpener. Open window (A) and fly kite (B). String (C) lifts small door (D) allowing moths (E) to escape and eat red flannel shirt (F). As weight of shirt becomes less, shoe (G) steps on switch (H) which heats electric iron (I) and burns hole in pants (J). Smoke (K) enters hole in tree (L), smoking out opossum (M) which jumps into basket (N), pulling rope (O) and lifting cage (P), allowing woodpecker (Q) to chew wood from pencil (R), exposing lead. Emergency knife (S) is always handy in case opossum or the woodpecker gets sick and can't work.



Picture-Snapping Machine RUBE GOLDBERG (tm) RGI 074

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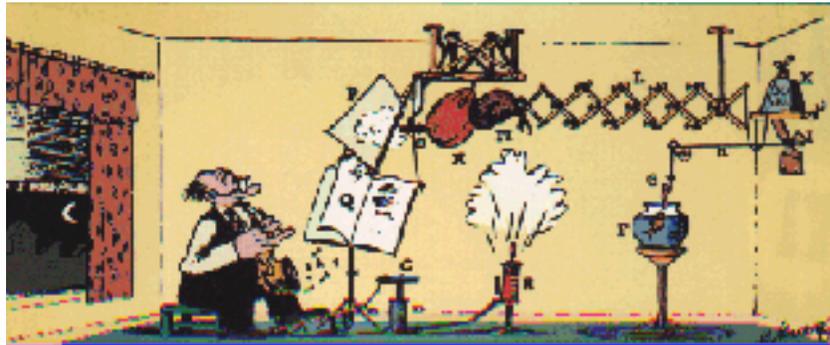
As you sit on pneumatic cushion (A), you force air through a tube (B) which starts ice boat (C), causing lighted cigar butt (D) to explode balloon (E). Dictator (F), hearing loud report, thinks he's been shot and falls over backward on bulb (G), snapping picture!



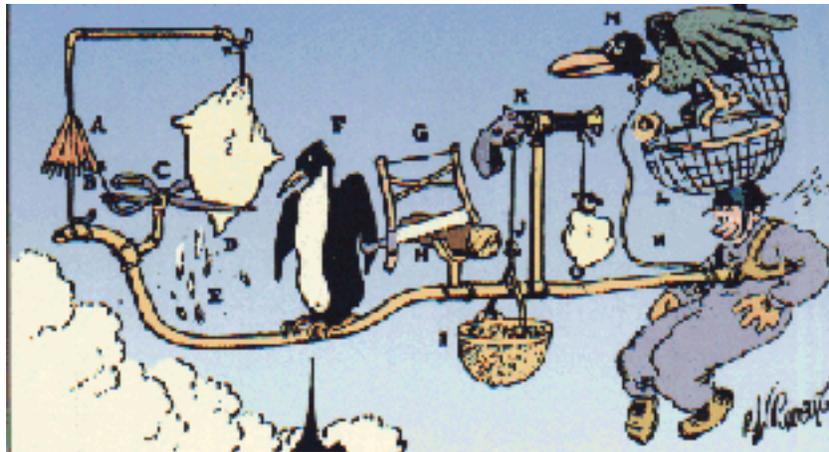
Keep You From Forgetting To Mail Your Wife's Letter RUBE GOLDBERG (tm) RGI 049

Keep You From Forgetting To Mail Your Wife's Letter

Rube Goldberg gets caught in a revolving door and becomes dizzy enough to dope out an idea to keep you from forgetting to mail your wife's letter. As you walk past cobbler shop, hook (A) strikes suspended boot (B), causing it to kick football (C) through goal posts (D). Football drops into basket (E) and string (F) tilts sprinkling can, (G) causing water to soak coat tails (H). As coat shrinks, cord (I) opens door (J) of cage, allowing bird (K) to walk out on perch (L) and grab worm (M) which is attached to string (N). This pulls down window shade (O) on which is written, "YOU SAP, MAIL THAT LETTER." A simple way to avoid all this trouble is to marry a wife who can't write.

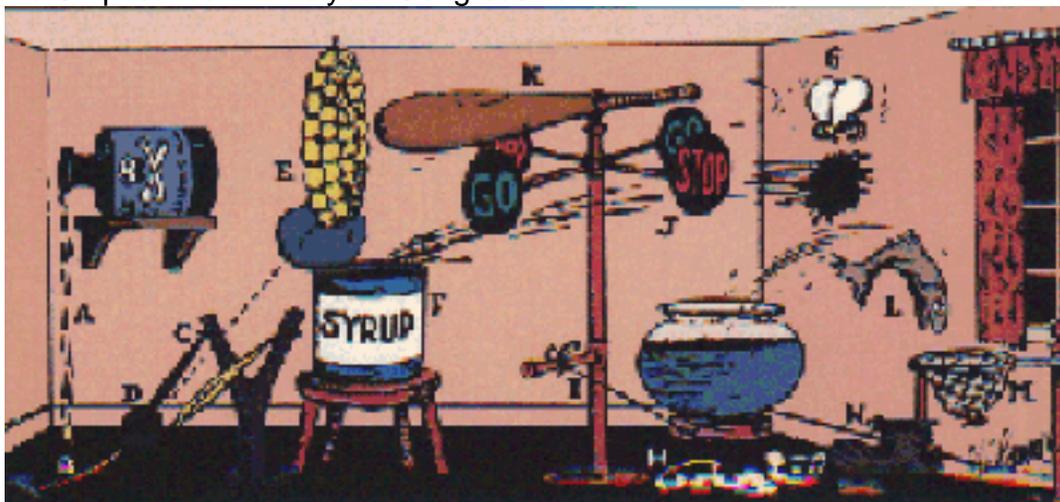


At Last! The great brain of Rube Goldberg gives the world a simple automatic sheet music turner! Press left foot (A) on pedal (B) which pulls down handle (C) on tire pump (D) pressure of air blows whistle (E). Goldfish (F) believes this is dinner signal and starts feeding on worm (G). The pull string (H) releases brace (I), dropping shelf (J), leaving weight (K) without support. Naturally, hat rack (L) is suddenly extended and boxing glove (M) hits punching bag (N) which, in turn, is punctured by spike (O). Escaping air blows against sail (P) which is attached to page of music (Q), which turns gently and makes way for the next outburst of sweet or sour melody.



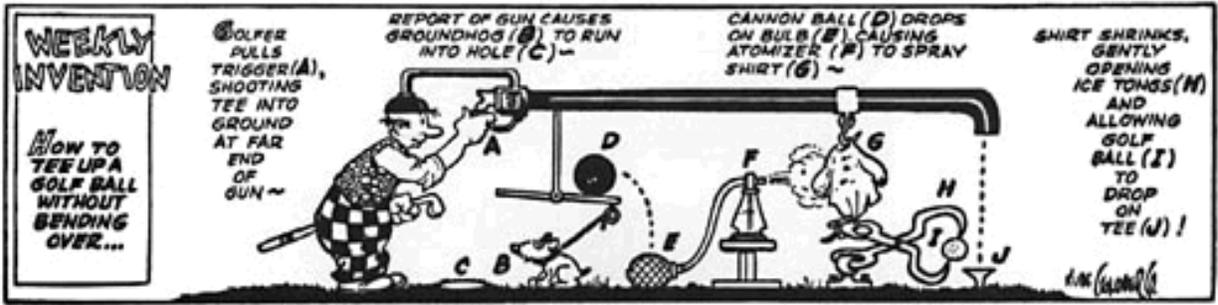
Rube Goldberg's idea for a simple parachute.

As aviator jumps from plane, force of wind opens umbrella (A) which pulls cord (B) and closes shears (C), cutting off corner of feather pillow (D). As white feathers (E) fly from pillow, penguin (F) mistakes them for snow flakes and flaps his wings for joy which draws buck-saw (G) back and forth cutting log of wood (H). As piece of wood falls into basket (I), its weight causes rope (J) to pull trigger of gun (K) which explodes and shoots lock from cage (L), realizing giant Umpha Bird (M) which flies and keeps aviator afloat with rope (N). Aviator breaks paper bag of corn (O), causing corn to fall to ground when bird swoops down to eat corn. Flier unhooks apparatus and walks home. The biggest problem is where to get the Umpha Bird. Write your Congressman.

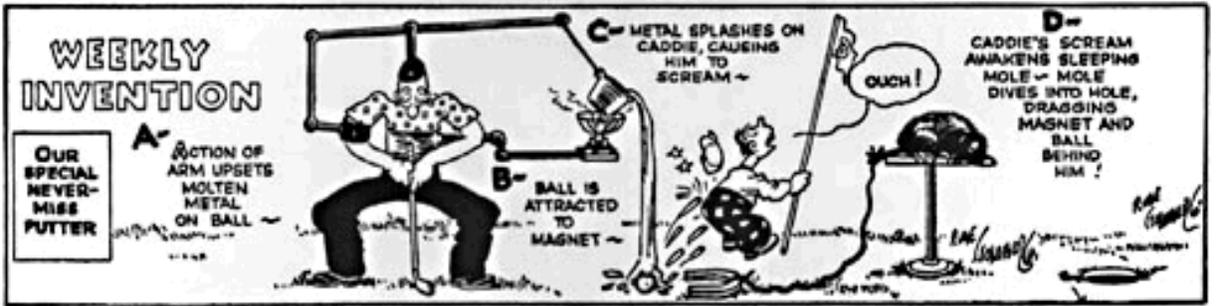


Rube Goldberg's idea for his latest simple fly swatter.

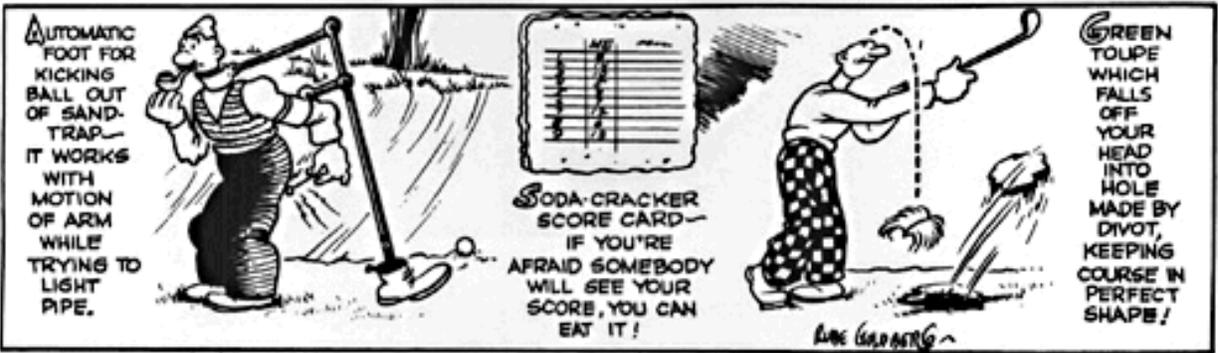
Carbollic acid (A) drips on a string (B) causing it to break and release elastic of bean shooter (C) which projects ball (D) into bunch of garlic (E) causing it to fall into syrup can (F) and splash syrup violently against side wall. Fly (G) buzzes with glee and goes for syrup, his favorite dish. Butler-dog (H) mistakes hum of fly's wings for door buzzer and runs to meet visitor, pulling rope (I) which turns stop-go signal (J) and causes baseball bat (K) to sock fly who falls to floor unconscious. As fly drops to floor, pet trout (L) jumps for him, misses, and lands in net (M). Weight of fish forces shoe (N) down on fallen fly and puts him out of the running for all time. If fish catches the fly, the shoe can be used for cracking nuts.



Tee Up a Golf Ball



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