

# "Obtoose"

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1. "It is entirely possible that Wendell just didn't care that monsters were real..."

*Old man walking a totally freaked out dog in a really bad neighborhood (old cars on blocks, trash, wino asleep in a doorway, etc.) where actual monsters peak around walls and over roofs all the while "Wendell" is whistling and walking carefree.*

2. "Fenna Mae just couldn't help but offer everyone a second piece of her warm, fresh-from-the-oven-a-second-time.... Possum Surprise Pie."

*Hillbillies sitting around a dinner table in a shack, all gagging and holding their noses as old woman tries to unload more yucky Possum Pie on to their plates. She is of course, totally oblivious to everyone's suffering.*

3. "Theodore knew there was something different about Fido....but what?"

*Perspective is from beyond dog house looking back toward Theodore's house with him looking at us and dog. Dog and dog house is closest in our view showing dog in recliner, smoking a pipe, legs crossed reading a book. Inside the dog house are book shelves with Einstein, Shelly, Keats, Oprah, Clinton, etc. books. Owner is the dunce without a clue.*

4. "Lester never thought it odd to take his raccoon for a walk in the park..."

*Old man is walking a freaked out raccoon with big eyes and total fear, on a leash, with many dogs straining at their leashes just waiting to tear the poor thing to bits. Man is whistling and totally unaware of the situation.*

5. “Wanda just couldn’t concentrate on her knitting as Ernest practiced his latest role as Tooth Fairy in the local community theater play.”

*Seventies aged old man dancing about (in living room) in tutu and fairy wings as old woman tries to knit.*

6. “Mortimer blissfully recalls his near fatal addiction to jaw breakers and atomic fire balls.”

*Toothless very old man in dreamy faced state looking in the window of a candy store.*

7. “Ester Sue just couldn’t recall when she had last milked the cow...”

*Cow is seen out the window near the barn with giant udder and frightened look on her face as old woman with back to us looks out the kitchen window in cow’s direction.*

8. “Werner was too proud to stop and admit that things weren’t going as planned.”

*Multiple tracks round and round the yard in tall grass with old man pushing electric mower while old wife waves at him holding cord he had early on cut completely in two.*

9. “Hiram was known to exaggerate a bit about the wars in which he had participated.”

*Four old men are lined up on a park bench. Each are wearing a “war cap” with “Battle of the Bulge”, “European Theatre”, Pacific Theater”, and last: “Gettysburg.” The old coot with “Gettysburg” is waving his hand and mouth is open as he tells his tales.*

10. “No one in the hall could find R17, though try as they may...”

*Very old man is standing in front of everyone at “Bingo Night at St. Bernard’s” (sign behind him with hall full of old geezers) holding old fashioned microphone in one hand and a large, Bingo Ball with numbers on it in the other. Everyone in the audience is looking around bewildered. Old man in front is clueless.*

11. “Fritz always took advantage of the opportunity when Edith went to the store.”

*Old man is wildly jumping up and down on the bed in back room as old woman heads down hall pulling a small grocery carrier behind.*

12. “Oliver had never missed an opportunity his whole life to act inappropriately....why start now?”

*Family and friends are standing around a casket in a graveyard during a funeral. Widow is in veil and “Oliver” is directly behind her with a wild look on his face and arm outstretched ready to pop a bag he is holding in his other hand.*

13. “Matilda reassured Fredrick that a tire change was completely unnecessary as most of the tire was NOT flat!”

*Old woman lecturing timid little husband by car with flat tire.*

14. “Pearly Mae was certain Laszlo had said he had put some extra air somewhere in the trunk recently...”

*Large behind of old woman is sticking out of trunk of car with a flat tire. The whole area behind her on the ground is covered with tire pump, spare tire, jack, and assorted repair gear...all ignored in vain search for AIR.*

15. “Fido loved to activate Lyle’s superstitious fears of the paranormal by barking incessantly at an empty dark corner of the hallway.”

*Smart dog drives old man crazy with fear of ghosts.*

16. “Wilhelm was certain the dog was trying to tell him something...but what?”

*Old man stares at dog staring at him. In front of the dog dish (in front of dog) are the words “You eat it” spelled out in dog food kibbles.*

17. “Jeddadiah was certain there was little he could do about it again being 8 A.M. ...”

*Old man is staring at a grandfather clock reading 8 on the dial.*

18. “Randolph just refused to ever take life seriously...”

*Old man is entering his own joke shop...keys in the lock and Open sign in his hand. Reads; Practical Joke Shoppe.*

19. “Burt reconsidered that shaving Bernard for fleas HAD possibly contributed to his loss of self esteem.”

*Poor dog on leash has tail between legs and looks like a dog-shaped rat, totally embarrassed in front of the other dogs in the park. They are all snickering.*

20. “Samuel was certain Fredrick’s hearing aid batteries were down as he had not argued with him for over three hours...”

*Two old men on park bench...one obviously deceased.*

21. “Fido was deeply embarrassed by Emma’s relentless use of the moniker “Precious”...”

*Old woman dragging poor dog (very broad and very male) by neck leash and calling him Precious as other dogs looked on and snickered.*

22. “Leonard’s repeated use of the dinnertime phrase **Hang on the Feed Bag** finally drove Ethel over the edge.”

*Old woman is standing behind old man at dinner table and is fitting him with a cap that has straps down the side of his head ending in a feed bag full of straw sticking out of it. Term refers to the practice of placing a feed bag over a horse’s muzzle and hooking it over his ears to feed him “on the run”.*

23. “Abner again takes offense to the modern, impersonal, postal term **To Resident or Occupant** upon inspecting his weekly receipt of advertising literature.”

*Old man is throwing all his junk mail high in the air down at the mailbox in front of his home. Wife is looking on from a large picture window.*

24. "Hugo could not actually justify the expense of fitting a periscope on his RV, but he was certain it would pay off one day."

*Old man is looking to the left through a periscope in his Motor Home while driving down the freeway. He has it raised to several feet above the vehicle where it is obvious that it would strike the next overpass. His wife is sitting in the passenger seat with a horror stricken look as an overpass looms up ahead.*

25. "Zelda realized the ineffectiveness of her New Age magnet therapy for Ruffy's flea problem."

*Old woman is staring at her sheep dog that has numerous horseshoe magnets hung on his body with several having pinned him to the refrigerator about a foot off the ground.*

26. "Monty's recent obsession with loud rap music drove Hildagard to formally threaten him with her Lawrence Welk vinyl album collection."

*Old man is sitting in front of very large speakers in the living room with china dancing on the table and his hair slightly blown back from the sounds. His wife is running into the room with several albums over her head aimed at him.*

27. "Oslo, Gertrude's seventh husband, was unaware of his wife's obsession with reaching final financial independence."

*Husband is reading in living room while his old wife in dining room mixes bottles of poisons next to the evening meal.*

28. “Randolph found it increasing difficult to accept Wanda’s obsession with giving Fluffy dining table privileges.”

*Irritated old man is pushing back from dining table as a large; fat cat has placed his front paws into the man’s plate and is lapping up his potatoes and gravy. Old woman is looking on lovingly.*

29. “Erna had learned to accept Edgar’s occasional flights of fantasy.”

*Old man in Super Hero costume and cape with fan in front of him on floor blowing cape, is suspended from the living room chandelier. He is in horizontal “flying” position. His wife is quietly vacuuming under him as though everything is normal.*

30. “Leopold found the answer to his question to the car salesman of whether the shift lever was on the steering column or floor, completely unsatisfactory.”

*Young “kid” car salesman is staring at old man. Kid’s head is cocked to left and has a “DUH” look on his face. Very old car in background.*

31. “Oscar could scarcely contain his delight at discovering mince meat pie offered up at the local buffet!”

*Old man is dancing with delight in serving line at a cafeteria buffet.*

32. “Following the pastor’s *inspired* sermon, Agnes was absolutely certain she must tell Charles of the parking ticket she had received in the summer of ’47.”

*Sign beside church: Today’s Sermon: Repent for God knows all and will one day soon...reveal ALL! Old woman and old man are walking down front*

*church steps arm in arm while the woman is looking at the old man's face. She seems to have the worry of the world on her shoulders!*

33. "The limit of Jethro's attention to detail was his inspiration until the very end."

*Old man is lifting an aluminum ladder vertically. It's about to come in contact with a high voltage power line next to a power pole. On the pole is a massive power transformer with a "Caution High Voltage" sign. The old man's cat is several feet above that. It is drawn to look like the old man is attempting to rescue his cat...for the last time!*

34. "Having just heard the latest devastating job loss numbers on the car radio, Marvin's heart was once again lifted."

*Old man's car approaches a "Men Working" road sign with two fellows up ahead with shovels making repairs to the road's shoulder.*

35. "Though her admonishments were intense, Abner steadfastly refused to take responsibility for his latest marital infidelity in Maxine's vivid dreams."

*Bed scene where old woman is in a sleeping bonnet and PJ's a old man is in sleep cap and PJ's. She is standing beside bed shaking her finger at him and he is sitting up against headboard with stern face and arms crossed. Clock on the wall reads 3. Windows are dark with new moon showing.*

36. "Sidney knew the chances of his campaign to bring back the Saturday afternoon cowboy serials might be in vain, none the less he felt he must at least try.

*Old man in a singing cowboy outfit with guitar on his back marching outside movie theater with protest sign.*



37. “Vernon was convinced his Music Box Trike would catch on as an alternative energy vehicle while playing the ten best Lawrence Welk tunes ever.”

*Old man peddling a three wheel bike with rear box and a giant wind-up key sticking out the back. Music notes floating all about.*

38. “Laslowe’s love of cactus gardening grew in direct proportion to the expansion of the neighborhood’s population of children.”

*Yard full of cactus, old man on porch grinning as kids peddle tricycles past his yard.*

39. Tomorrow Bernard would walk the dog...but today, today he was “Helicopter Man!!!!!!!!!!!!!!”

*Poor dog is standing by door with leash in mouth and legs clinched together...has to go really bad...concerned look on his face. Nutty old man is “flying” around the living room with beanie on...giant propeller on top...crazy look of superhero.*

40. “Rascal was certain tomorrow would be different but he kept asking himself, What’s this thing called neutering all about anyway?”

*Dog in tux and top hat leaning against dog house getting a devilish stare and grin from his master on the porch a few feet away. Dog has curious look on face as he stares away in heavy thought.*

41. “It comes down to this – all dogs were once wolves...except for the fact that humans eliminated certain genes...” (TV announcer)

*Thought bubble over tiny male Chihuahua with clinched fist in evil rage...while watching TV program “All Dogs are Really Wolves”. Inside thought bubble: “I’ll kill ‘em...I’ll kill ‘em ALL!!!”*

42. Shady Rest nursing home would no longer be the same after “Wheeler Brooks”, drag racing legend of the 1950’s, moved in...

*Whole row of wheelchairs lined up on the front lawn with a “Starting Line” and countdown lights. Old men with firm determination and wild eyes. Granny’s with pompoms and checkered flags ready to start the race.*

43. Edgar was certain his Viking ancestors had once landed on the moon, though the date seemed to escape him...

*Old man on couch in pensive mood with hand on chin. He’s wearing a Viking “horns” hat. TV is on in the distance against the wall.*

44. Laslo was uncertain how to interpret his recent “Eat More Bacon” dream...

*Large hall, lot’s of people milling around. Big sign: “Vegetarian Committee for Animal Rights”. Confused old man looking around.*

45. Arthur was certain the black sedan at the curb across the street was somehow connected to his drunken discussion of Allied troop movements while in a bar in Morocco back in “43....”

*Old man in VFW cap staring out of a front window, slightly behind curtain...worried look.*

46. Dr. Anderson’s habit of licking off his false teeth after a meal was most annoying considering the occasion...

*“Retired Dentists Association Annual Convention” – big sign, lots of lab coated old farts...Anderson is licking off his teeth while holding them in his hand.*

47. Dr. Clyde Mullen felt he had been extremely close to splitting the atom back in ‘39 if only his “World’s Smallest Knife” had been scientifically recognized...

*Wild eyed-wild haired, old man holding up a tiny knife while he is wearing a jeweler’s magnifying loop on left eye.*

48. Professor Henri drew more and more stares as he slipped into using the present tense while discussing the Jurassic Period.

*Wild eyed old professor somewhat scattered and strange in lecture hall full of college students...stuff drawn on blackboard...stickmen and dinos!*

49. Edmond beamed with pride as he opened the door of his unique cafeteria for the first time...

*Big hairy, very broad man with big smile in butcher’s apron standing in front of cafeteria with sign: Carnivore’s Cave Cafeteria “All Meat Menu” Sign on next door business: Coronary Emergency Clinic*

50. Waldo was sure there was something suspicious about the fellow diners in the hotel restaurant...

*Restaurant filled with people wearing Grocho Marx nose and glasses...sign over restaurant: Steak Coral, sign on marquee next door in hotel: Hotel Rose Welcomes Annual United Vegan Convention.*

51. Harvey suspected it could have been Emma’s moldy bread pudding which enabled him to see all the “Little People and the Fairies” dancing on the backyard lawn at midnight...

*Wild eyed-old man stares into the blackness of kitchen window...nothing to be seen by us...just crescent moon.*

52. Abner drew the ire of his new “city folks” neighbors for his use of a pet sheep to put a final finish on his ’49 Ford pickup’s wax job.

*Old farmer holding a smiling sheep by the legs upside-down while rubbing his shiny old Ford truck...mad dressed up city type neighbors yelling at him over the fence.*

53. The pleasure of chasing cats eluded Rover’s son Fido...

*Old dog standing by a lazy-in-the-hammock young dog playing a hand held video game...cats everywhere, upset looking old dog.*

54. Rex had always known there was a fuzzy line between Love and Hate...but now he could see its complexities...

*Old man stares at a museum painting with the words Love and Hate displayed vertically on left and right sides of painting....large fuzzy line descends between them.*

55. Wanda’s excessive speed on her Hog had unforeseen and adverse effects on boyfriend Harvey...

*Old man and woman flying down road on motorcycle “HOG” with old man’s toupee and false teeth flying out behind.*

56. The “Ben Franklin Alternative Energy Kite Kit” Hugo had ordered apparently needed a bit more refinement...

*Old man with hair blown in all directions, burned ground under him, dog hanging upside-down from under tree...fluffed up hair and big eyes, house on fire....low hanging clouds with lightning in background. Kite Box says, “**Do Not Use During Storms!**”*

57. Phil was truly convinced of his alternative energy windmill car's potential...

*Car is stuck under a freeway overpass...mangled windmill tower and fan blades*

58. Adolph's use of an electric egg beater to play his drum set cymbals drove Maureen to the edge...

*Old man with drum set and cymbals and egg beater...lots of racket, cats running away, old woman running away, arms in air, wild look on face.*

59. The neighbors could not help but notice Hazel's unique parking style...

*Old woman parking mini car sideways in driveway...several dented and flattened trash cans lay about...*

60. Ewald was certain, with enough time, his WWLWD Wristbands (What Would Lawrence Welk Do) would eventually catch on...

*Silly old man with boxes and boxes of "WWLWD Wristbands" and Lawrence Welk poster on living room wall.*

61. Ramona's "Spider Motif" made Herman exceedingly uneasy...

*Old man and woman...she's dressed in black, spiders everywhere: lampshades, pillows-image, on her dress, web hung from ceiling*

62. Maxwell eventually regretted the novel idea of mounting his ceiling fan on the wall of his bedroom...

*Bed is blown up, scared old man and woman in bed...things flying*

63. Rudolph would never admit he had prayed for Noah to help end the drought...

*Old man sitting alone on the roof of his house in a flood.*

64. Lawrence was unaware that Viola used a stuffed dead bird for sympathy...

*Birdcage with bird hanging upside down from perch...dead. Old man saying, "It's okay dear...There, there...."*

65. Albert vowed to change his will after his grand daughter ordered a double Crème Amaretto and Chocolate Latte with Sprinkles for only \$7.95.

*Old man with angry look at the register amount.*

66. Joe's childhood fear of Mr. Greenjeans spoiled his renewed interest in Captain Kangaroo reruns.

*Old man peering out from behind couch at TV with Captain Kangaroo playing.*

67. Edmond reveled in old age as he finally realized his dream of no longer having In-Laws!

*Old man at funeral...smiling.*

68. Bernard decided to reconsider his use of Apple-Cinnamon cologne while on his morning constitutional with Betty.

*Forest animals following old couple closely, sniffing the air.*

69. Edgar decided not to tell his wife of a nest of 6" tall superheroes he had found while weeding the garden.

*Tiny superheroes in a group in tall grass with old man leaning over them with garden shears.*

70. Rupert's horse, a Methodist, refused to take another step until the use of foul language ceased.

*Old man swearing loudly at his horse.. horse turns away his head in disgust, ears back and brow wrinkled.*

71. Fredrick's declaration of "No more cat food until the mouse is caught!" was a total shock to Fluffy.

*Cat is standing on two legs, in front of owner, with cat bowl in hand-sad and somewhat startled look on his face as mouse pokes head out of mouse hole a distance away.*

72. Marvin laughed at the thought of the recently reported Monster Deer created by the atomic bomb tests of the 1950's.

*Old man hunter with gun leaning against "tree"...actually leg of 100' tall deer...another leg 20" away with hoof in the air ready to crush him.*

73. Sidney began to realize his time had passed as his conversation starter "Well, what you think of Truman?" drew increasingly blank stares.

*Blank looks on listeners as old man tries to start a conversation.*

74. Quietly Edna delighted in her husband Raymond's untimely passing as her heart had always belonged to Felix.

*Old man and woman holding hands in front of open coffin.*

75. The frustration of just being Murdock was often overwhelming.

*Old man on park bench with pigeon landing on his head and pooping.*

76. Though Wendell had often told Adel of his numerous trips to Mars she, nonetheless, suggested he not mention it to the Johnson's during Canasta.

*Old man and woman in kitchen with neighbors coming up the walk outside to visit.*

77. Police surmised the men had expired after an intense argument over the authenticity of their respective autographed LP's of Liberace and Lawrence Welk.

*Two old geezers slumped over in wheelchairs on the lawn of "Shady Rest"; holding LP's in their laps.*

78. Walter spent many hours in the walk-in closet recalling his days as a young elevator operator in the grand hotels back East.

*Woman looking at old man dressed in bell-hop/porter uniform in closet...he is smiling.*

79. Blending in after retirement as a greeter at Wallyworld proved a bit challenging for Blackbeard.

*Old one eyed, peg legged pirate greeting people...scared people.*

80. After an interview with the suspect, police determined the phrase "Elementary my dear Watson!" had apparently become intolerable.

*Sherlock Holmes lies shot to death – Dr. Watson is in handcuffs.*

81. Mrs. Noah's persistent worrying about having left the oven on back home nearly drove Mr. Noah to go sleep with the animals.

*Small animal says to another on the side: "Good grief, it's under water...Duh."*

82. Sampson remembered his mother's warning about getting involved with that hair stylist Delilah.

*Bald Roman Style man in front of mirror...wrinkled brow.*

83. Moses never let on that his cousin Akned owned a Manna factory just behind the hills.



*Jews wandering about...big factory behind mountain out of their sight with huge sign: Divine Manna Company.*

84. Edmond, a man of limited life goals, eagerly prepared his “Bucket List”; 12 new items to try on the local cafeteria menu.

*Old man with little tablet in line at cafeteria, very happy.*

85. After 46 years of Marvin’s dirty-socks-on-the-floor-routine, Menna retaliated with a vengeance.

*Old man with socks thrown about sits in a chair with angry old woman standing over him....stripped sock stretched over his head.*

86. Felix sensed that good pickled pigs feet would be hard to find in the new 21<sup>st</sup> century.

*Sad old man looking at a nearly empty jar of Pickled Pigs Feet on bar counter.*

87. Ernie knew he must go to extraordinary heights to win Emma’s heart.

*Old man standing on bridge railing ready to bundge- jump while old woman looks on smiling.*

88. Maynard felt his decorated peddle trike with the giant Lawrence Welk bobble head would win the Shady Rest Retirement Community “Music Days” parade this year...

*Peddle trike with old geezer and giant LW’s head on the back.*

89. Otto hoped his “special” fire ant gift box for local tax collectors might just catch on....

*Old man with a fancy box with ribbons filling it with a fire ant mound. He's grinning.*

90. Abner's extensive contact with visitors from other worlds left him convinced Mankind's elevator doesn't quite go all the way up...

*Old man in late evening walking away from rising UFO in a country field. Several atom bomb clouds are seen in the far distance.*

91. Edgar had relished his UFO "abduction" until he realized the spacecraft lacked bathroom facilities...

*Old man holding himself, worried look, little aliens all around in saucer UFO.*

92. Murphy eagerly awaited delivery of the latest addition to his porcupine ranch.

*Spines sticking through package with UPS fellow angry, old man grinning. Sign reads: "Murphy's Porcupine Ranch; We've Got Real Spine"*

93. Slowly, Edna realized that her sign at the church bazaar "Cake Slices – Six Bits Each" might be a bit confusing.

*Kids asking, "How much is that cake?" Puzzled looks on kids.*

94. With Penelope's eccentric behavior, it did not help that she had married Mr. Crackers.

*Weird old woman with goofy get up – goofy painting of whacked-out husband over the mantle.*

95. Werner soon began to realize that the yearly "Jean Harlow Movie Night" at the Brother Beaver Lodge just didn't draw the crowd it had in years past.

*Seven old men in funny hats in a large hall watching an old reel movie projector. Sign says "Brother Beaver Lodge"*

96. Otto's complains that his new car just didn't compare to his old Packard in quality, just drew blank stares.

*Old man yelling at Service Manager at an auto dealership – blank look on manager. Old Packard in distance.*

97. Theo soon realized there was only so much purple dyed water he could carry for ammunition in preparation for his personal war with the Martians.

*Whacked out old man loaded down with various shaped containers of purple water and several water guns- Rambo style, looking at the sky intently. Red Mars planet in the distant sky.*

98. Charles was certain his new chicken walking harness would soon catch on.

*Old man walking chicken in a small harness with leash while dogs strain their leashes in the park to have "lunch".*

99. Today, Agnes reasoned, was as good a day as any after fifteen years to sit next to Winston on the park bench.

*Two lonely old people sit next to each other, each looking away shyly to avoid embarrassment.*

100. Lionel would never live down the embarrassment of forgetting to gas up his scooter for his first date with Ethel.

*Old woman, seen from the back, following old man pushing a small scooter down a road that stretches off ahead to the horizon as the sun is setting.*

101. Myrna reminded Arnold there was no longer any prizes in a cereal box, much to his disappointment.

*Sad old man with pile of cereal on table, his arm all the way into the empty box, sour face.*

102. Bertha gently reminded Felix that Arthur Godfry is most likely no longer on the radio in the afternoon.

*Old man turning large console radio tuner knob with concerned look on his face. Gentle faced wife, very old, looking on.*

103. Hester Sue had learned from her grandma there was only so much possum you could bake into one “Possum Surprise Pie”.

*Hillbilly girl, buck teeth, pig tails on side of her head, holding up a very dead possum over a mixing bowl with old wood-fired cook stove in the background. Shack house.*

104. Edna slowly became aware of her new husband Sydney’s former life as a secret agent.

*Old man peeking out from behind curtain in living room – hiding from old woman, but she sees him and hands on her hips in disgust.*

105. Trevor introduced his fourth wife one time too many by the wrong name.

*Bake sale sign in back, two couples face each other, one man has cream pie in the face. He has his hand outstretched to shake hands anyway.*

106. Leonard’s hopes of earning a fortune from his autographed 8 x 10 glossy photos of Dinah Shore, Benny Goodman and Arthur Godfry were dashed when the local auction house manager asked who they were anyway.

*Sad old man talking to young “thirty something” who is clueless.*

107. The pleasure of being Rowena had always elude others, even her closest fiends.

*Fluffed up, middle aged woman, aloof and proud amid people who regard her a pompous bore.*

108. Rex, Calvin’s Doberman reasoned that his asexual condition was most likely the result of his master’s jealousy.

*Dog with his muzzle down on his front paws...lying down staring with evil eyes at his master across the room.*

109. People today do not realize that Robin Hood’s name in Old English would have been “The Hood who doth robbeth.”

*Robin Hood with bow and arrows grinning, missing teeth, holding up bag of coins. Merry men in background...rough looking bunch.*

110. Estelle believed that someone should still worship Zeus as a matter of respect.

*Old whacked out woman in temple-like home with lots of wall hanging fire lamps and roman columns with elaborate wall hangings...next door to a dry cleaning shop and car wash.*

111. Nukie, the “Atomic Shoe for American Kids” never quite caught on in the new Atomic Age of the 1950’s.

*Kids wearing Nukies left burned footprints across lawn. Close up of shoe logo,,disk with mushroom cloud in center.*

112. Adam was disappointed to learn that the only song Eve knew was “Battle Hymn of the Republic”.

*Bubble over Eve's head with "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord..." as she is singing with Adam's thought bubble: "not again..."*

113. Marvin was proud of his new invention to rid the house of In-Laws: "Stink Ups".

*Smiling guy is putting up stinking disks under couch and in bathroom as In-Laws hold noses and head for the door.*

114. Hugo was ready for this year's "Thanksgiving Day Geezer Trot".

*Old man in big turkey suit standing under banner with same name and 6K Run added.*

115. Maxwell could no longer contain his excitement after learning of each Congressional Candidate's stand on the owning of working llamas.

*Old man is dancing in front of the TV while several pack laden llamas are tied up at his back door. People on stage on TV.*

116. Reynolds suspected there might be some opposition to his claim of an intimate knowledge of Martian literature.

*Picketing in front of his UFO convention booth by strange people in odd hats while weird books with odd writing graces Reynolds' booth table. Picket signs read: Wrong Translations...He's a Fraud...Johnson only Expert!!!*

117. Edgar, unaware of the true nature of today's Hip Hop quietly asked his granddaughter if it was a newer version of the Bunny Hop.

*Young girl has "Unbeliveable!!!" look on her face as Grand Dad asks question.*

118. Having applied a whole bottle of "Flag Starch" to Ole Glory, Max was knocked silly as the wind suddenly changed direction.

*Old man on his back with stiff flag above him.*

119. Reynolds let the employment agency know that naturally being “Stiff” was a bonus for working as a living store mannequin.

*Dried up old man in employment.*

120. Marvin’s Tee Shirt message was not well received at the local polling station.

*“Voting: A Coward’s excuse for not taking up arms against tyranny.”*

121. Henry’s hogs grew more and more suspicious of his generous servings of slop.

*Shifty eyed hog stares at old man pouring slop in trough. Big sign on barn: Edgar’s Best Bacon.*

122. Edgar was certain that the elusive Abdominal Snowman would soon be discovered.

*Big stomach, beer drinking Sasquatch with dozens of empty beer cans scattered about the forest floor.*

123. Bernard was certain his new Television show “How to Scare Ghosts” had a real chance.

*Old man with chains, bells, onions, garlic and several wooden stakes camped out in front of a TV Studio.*

124. Sensing that his time was at hand, Harvey chose to confuse and delay the inevitable by dressing up as the Grim Reaper’s first cousin “Morbid”.

*Old man in Grim Reaper costume with Grim Reaper outside door looking confused.*

125. Edmond's choices of Snot and Booger for his dog and cat's names was an immediate turn off when having guest over for dinner.

*Dog and cat trying to climb onto the dining table: "No Snot! Down Booger!"*

126. Lazarus need for deodorant was never adequately addressed in the ancient texts.

*Stinky old man with everyone holding nose near tomb.*

127. Henry regretted giving Rusty a warm mug of cream and double espresso for the cold.

*Old man walking a completely "Wired" dog with hair standing up and wild eyes...snow falling in park.*

128. William's claim to having a "Singing Cat Choir" performing Handel's Messiah proved less than satisfactory in the local pet talent competition.

*Cats everywhere with frustrated old man in coat and tails with conductor's baton in hand. Audience throwing cabbages and tomatoes.*

129. Lazlo's interpretation of the William Tell Overture was certainly different.

*Conductor on big white horse, baton in hand, Lone Ranger mask on face.*

130. Blackbeard's career would have been over...

*Large bottle of Beard Dye – Black, on shelf of ship Captain's Room.*

131. "You Ain't Nothing But an Old Goat" was hastily rewritten just before his first appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show.



*Elvis and Ed together on Stage.*

132. Few know Batman and Robin's most effective weapon against crooks was the disabling and uncontrollable laughter induced by their silly costumes. Three crooks actually laughed themselves to death.

*Laughing and pointing crooks..red-faced B & R.*

133. Sidney's Tofu chili entry in the 1956 Hazzard County Chili Cookoff drew an immediate summons from the House Select Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington.

*"Must be a Commie to eat that stuff!" Fat Senator's comments.*

134. Oscar's "calling" at the local square dance club proved his undoing.

*Pile of dancers in middle of the dance floor.*

135. Flex's desire to use an indoor helicopter toy to serve drinks to his guests got a little out of control.

*Lady with tall hairdo and tangled copter. All wet guests nearby.*

136. Willard, a self confessed "alien" from another world often grew uncontrollably tense in the presence of Yorkies.

*Wild eyed and very stiff old man with yapping Yorkie at his feet. He's dressed oddly.*

137. Werner's new "Extra Batteries Conversion Kit" for his disabilities scooter proved invigorating.

*Wheelie popping old geezer's scooter, wild eyed-wind in his hair.*

138. Emmett's passion for "All Things Squirrel" drove Estelle completely nuts.

*Old man with room full of squirrels, sitting in a squirrel suit in bed with angry old woman holding a shotgun.*

139. Life was never quite the same after “Hugo the Ventriloquist” moved in.

*Old man “throwing his voice” to make old people talk like ducks in old folks home.*

140. Arnold’s excessive use of after-shave lotion created a brand new allergy season at Shady Rest.

*Lots of old people sneezing as old man “smells’ up the place.*

141. As Victor approached 92, his “retirement fund” was nearly depleted.

“Union Bank and Trust money bags scattered around on the floor of old miner’s shack. One last money bag well stuffed remained on closet shelf.

142. Karl’s “improper use” of profanity drew the ire of his fellow club members.

*Angry old men shaking their fists at another – sign over head on wall:  
Glenmore Cussing Society.*

143. Rudolph’s habit of whittling when nervous was occasionally quite inappropriate.

*Old man whittling with big knife while in line at airport security screening.*

144. Arthur’s cat leash and harness proved a bit ill conceived.

*Cat tangled in park tree limbs to the point of cat hanging from limbs in harness.*

145. Maynard found a perverse joy in faking the “Publishers Clearing House Prize Patrol” with bogus van and million dollar “Prizes”.

*“Fake” Prize Patrol Van and old man with big check (4 x 6)feet and snide grin.*

146. Fredrick’s guests had never seen cats and birds raised in such a manner.

*Cats in bird cages and birds loose everywhere in the house.*

147. Maxwell’s unique method for reading the morning paper while commuting to work failed to impress the traffic patrolman.

*Old man getting ticket while holding newspaper in front of steering wheel. Paper has large hole cut in the center.*

148. It became obvious that Fred would never quite fit in.

*Fred, a happy and smiling old man among dozens of grumpy old men. Sign in banquet hall: “Annual Meeting of Serious Freds”*

149. Werner discovered he had held on to his Nash Kelvinator stock just a bit too long.

*Young stock broker while examining stock certificates ask: “What is this? Wrinkled brow on broker, sad look on old man.*

150. Felix began to suspect his cat Moogie was possessed, but he held out hope...

*Old man walking down hall –evil cat on ledge above Felix holding kitchen knife and possessing wild and evil look.*

151. Vernon's 71 "Maxed-Out" credit cards concerned him little as he approached his 94<sup>th</sup> birthday.

*Laughing old man with huge pile of bills on table, phone ringing and people at the front door. "Well at least they can't kill me."*

152. Freddie's irrational fear of banana pudding occasionally caused trouble in the local cafeteria serving line.

*Old man freaking out by tossing his tray high in the air with food flying, people ducking and workers yelling. He looks afraid.*

153. "Slim", now a great grandfather was exceedingly proud of his numerous descendents.

*Large family reunion portrait where "Slim" is at the center. Slim has one large ear and one small one...as does everyone of his descendents.*

154. Edward was proud of his new "Porta Toilet" company.

*Sign above old man smiling, standing in front of porta-potties: "The Process of Elimination"*

155. Marty took his role as "Black Sheep of the Family" a bit too far at family gatherings.

*Lots of people at picnic...Sign Wilson Family Reunion" old man in black sheep suit.*

156. "Hugo the Ventriloquist" faced a lifetime ban from Roger's Funeral Home after a somewhat improper incident at his deceased friend Marvin's funeral.

*People running and screaming from funeral home.*

157. Abner never got completely through his opening remarks at the annual club meeting.

*Goofy old man at podium in front of large crowd of goofy looking geezers.  
Sign: "Society of Professional Screw Ups"*

158. Tiring of Rusty's "Leg Lifting" and "Marking", Walter's invention proved most efficient ...

*Rear view of dog's butt and lower legs – bottom of legs chained together loosely. Dog would be unable to hike leg.*

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The unresolved issue of Werner's excessive happiness finally drove Vera up the wall.

*Old man grinning from ear to ear as wife climbs a living room wall, up past the fireplace.*

160. Abner knew the race to beat his competitors would take time...

*Sign: Abner's Snail Farm. Old man smiling and standing in front of sign with old house in the far distance...out in the country.*

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162. Oscar's door – to – door “String of Pearls” sales business occasionally hit a snag...

*Truck outside home “Oscar’s String of Pearls” with old man standing by front door. Sign by door in flowerbed: Home of John and Emma Swine.*

163. It became obvious that Henry did not have his mind on the game...

*Domino game with old men – one is building a little house with his dominos.*

164. The pleasure of being Edgar was quite a mystery to others...

*Old man walking in park, whistling, happy gait, crabby old people everywhere looking at him in disgust.*

165. Castoff Industries’ new genetically modified turnip disproved the old adage: “You can’t squeeze blood from a turnip!”

*Scientist speaking to another: “Looks like this one is AB+” Holding up bloody turnip.*

166. Flossie was known to disrupt Saturday Nigh Bingo with an occasional “Table Dance”.

*Gaudy old woman on bingo hall table with feather boa. Sign: St. George’s Bingo Night. Old men cheering her on.*

167. Otto’s book, “The Delight of Living Long Enough to Spend Your Worthless Children’s Inheritance” was a swift seller at Shady rest.

*Old geezer at autograph book signing table, pile of books on table, line of old geezers at table.*

168. Art critics' reviews were mixed on world renowned sculptor Mortineen's latest work: "Saint Edmond the Absent".

*20 ft. high Romanesque style column, very ornate with beautiful plaque "St. Edmond the Absent". No statue on top of column.*

169. Charlie's Drive Thru Lawn Mowing Service" lacked vision.

*People driving by: "Well, I guess it would work...sort of..." Sign: Lawn Mowed While You Wait"*

170. "Garrrrrr's Really, Really Old World Bakery"

*T-Rex couple baking bread behind bakery counter.*

171. Werner's new ceramic product lacked name recognition.

*Boxes on shelves: Werner's "Plaster of Cleveland" next to packages of "Plaster of Paris".*

172. Ron's cosmetic venture proved a bit limited in clientele.

*"Ron's Aging Crème for Immortals" Sign at the cosmetic counter.*

173. "The Pleasure is All Mine"

*Sign. Tax service. Building with old man sitting at a desk in a store front. No customers.*

174. Calvin could not contain his excitement at finding a "prize" in his cereal box until his wife explained it was a dehydrated mouse carcass.

*Smiling old man at breakfast table with prize in hand and old woman waving finger at him. Small mouse hole in side of box.*

175. Perhaps a name change would help business out of a thorny slump...

*Sign on fence of cactus garden store. "Pain's Cactus" Old men walking past talking and pointing at sign.*

176. Business never picked up much...

*Sign: Cain and Abel's Discord Resolution Service. Store front, no customers. Two old men visible with heads resting on their hands in frustration.*

177. Maxwell's attempt to crossbreed a Chihuahua and a Great Dane to produce the World's Smallest Dane" failed miserably.

*Giant Chihuahua next to old man.*

178. Eddie's "School of Funny Faces" seemed to be working.

*People leaving store front "school" with sign. All have very silly faces. People going in are glum and dull.*

179. Lester Roger of "Roger, Over and Out" fame, passed recently at 96. No other name has yet been proposed.

*Smiling old man standing near fireplace mantel with old style radio microphone and award prominently displayed.*

180. Age did not temper Arlene's hunger for attention.

*Old woman at Shady Rest in her 1950's Dale Evans Cowgirl garb with pistol and lasso.*



181. Edna, known for winning the most county fair awards for her pickles, finally achieved her “personal best” after the passing of her husband Harold.

*Old man floating in a giant pickle jar in front of rows and rows of First Prize pickle jars. Smiling old woman posing for picture in the front of this scene.*

182. Willard’s amazing, genetically created beef steak plant suffered from one fatal flaw....

*Wild-eyed scientist in lab stares at plants with slabs of beef steak hanging from various limbs...mooing sounds coming from each piece of “beef steak”.*

183. Buddy’s new Smart-Elic Telephone Answering Service business looked promising.

*Line of people going in from outside store front with sign above Buddy’s Smart-Elic Telephone Answering Service. “Yeah...what you want?”, “What do I care?”, “Yo, Mamma!” signs above several phones in window...examples of service.*

184. Werner’s evil “Lucky Rabbit’s Foot” research program for Y.U.K. Genetics seemed to be on track.

*Six legged rabbits all over research tables. Smiling “evil scientist” looks on. Sign on Wall: Y.U.K. Genetics – “Abomination Creations”*

185. Edgar’s “Seasonal Wormhole Travel Service Portal” needed work.

*Scientist appears on a beach in summer dressed in parka...wormhole portal is glowing in background. People staring...scientist glum.*

186. No one expected Emma’s new shop, “Tempest in a Tea Pot”, to amount to much.

*Old woman standing in front of her tea shop, smiling.*

187. Walter would no longer be able to encourage his wife Rowena, “The World’s Fastest String Saver”.

*Old man wound tightly in giant ball of string in middle of living room. Wife unaware of his feet sticking out of large ball.*

188. Marvin musically expressed his delight to be the new president of the Society of Flatulent Fellows...

*Old men with clothespins on their noses, large hall, sign “SFF”. Happy fellow at podium.*

189. Pastor Jones and his wife found the name “Humper” exceeding awkward while visiting Brother Bob’s home.

*Dog dish: Humper, Dog house: Humper. Dog lay down rug: Humper. Old man calling “Humper, Humper” at feeding time...dog food in hand...blushing pastor’s wife.*

190. The coroner was forced to rule “Death By Umbrella” in the case of the Shady Rest Home burgler...

*Four old women with one foot each on burglar’s body – game hunter style, with four umbrellas sticking out of poor burgler...x’s for eyes.*

191. Once again Harold’s “Snotty the Scottie” took first place in the “World’s Most Disgusting Dog Names” show. Piddler, Dumplin’ Dropper, Louggie the Lab ran a close second..

*Dog Show Scene—crappy dogs everywhere.*

192. The people of Possum Hollar could not understand the concept of wild animals going extinct....

193. *Old hillbilly and wife on porch of shack...possums and squirrels EVERYWHERE.*

194. Vinney's new website: "Poo for Politicians" became an overnight success as taxpayers eagerly mailed their Congressmen "Poo Packs".

*Sign on Poo Pack: "Since you do not give a crap about me, here's a little crap for you!"*

195. No one knew Oscar joined the VFW for beer and comradeship though he had never served his country.

*Old men with WWI caps at a bar.*

196. Rowena tried in vain to suppress Maynard's latent "Evil Knevil" tendencies.

*Old woman standing with arms crossed in front of a sidewalk skateboard jumping ramp...Old man in distance, helmet on, wild eyes and broad grin..on bicycle.*

197. Though Harold had seemed attentive when the young car salesman had informed him of USB and I-Pod dashboard interfaces, he nonetheless asked if the heater was extra.

*Young kid salesman with DUH look on his face. Old Studebaker parked in the distance.*

198. Harvey knew it would take extra effort to touch his toes on the porch ceiling.

*Crazed old man wild on the front porch swing.*

199. Though totally accommodating to the elderly gentleman, the young sales associate assured him Bing Crosby had most likely not released an album lately.

*Old man in old vinyl record store.*

200. Stanley tried in vain to determine which side of the CD should be “up” in his record player...

*Old man in front of large old record player jostling a CD. Birthday wrapping paper scattered about.*

201. Vernon never revealed to Edna his dry powdered lizard secret ingredient in his famous Southwestern Chili.

*Wife is holding her nose as old man grinds up his Secret Ingredient.*

202. Alfred posed regularly with his Lennon Sisters snow sculpture.

*Numerous old geezers line up on the sidewalk in front of house with old geezer posing by sculpture. All are saying, “sure looks lifelike...”*

203. Willard beamed with pride as he finally collected the 2,500th box top required to receive the pure gold 1956 Captain Monty Space Commander signet ring.

*Large pile of box tops in neat stacks line up on the kitchen table. Old wife looks on.*

204. Mildred’s excessive use of garlic in her husband’s diet kept him free of mosquitoes and dog bites while on walks in the city park.

*Dogs and people avoid old man and woman on walking trail. Dogs look disgusted.*

205. Harold’s devotion to Ruffie extend far beyond the norm...

*Stuffed Ruffie the dog glued to a skateboard is being pulled along in the park ...stares and giggles from people...dogs are perplexed.*

206. The practicality of Larry's cabbages defied logic.

*Old man poses with 5 feet across cabbages.*

207. Sidney was forced to re-examine his desire to impress Emma by taunting a moose.

*Old geezer in a moose's rack being carried away as horrified old woman looks on.*

208. Perhaps tomorrow Emory would date again but, he wondered, "Where will I find a girl my age with those Mae West qualities?"

*Old man with thought bubble of busty Mae West.*

209. Harvey, though continually informed by Maudie of the ineffectiveness of his new Invisibility Cloak, steadfastly reassured her he was totally unseen.

*Old man with blanket over his head in the middle of the living room. His legs and elbows sticking out.*

210. The question of whether the car had a stick shift on the column or the floor left the young car salesman perplexed.

*Old man shopping for a new car...DUH look on kid. Old 50's car in background.*

211. Erna had learned to accept Edgar's occasional flights of fantasy.

*Old man in superhero costume "flying" suspended from the chandelier in the living room as old wife quietly vacuums below him without a care.*

212. Rudolph took the saying, “Good fences make good neighbors,” to a whole new level.

*Dozens of “cut-out” swimsuit beauties are use for fence boards. Old man standing in front of them grinning.*

213. The persistent rumor in the forest that Little Red Riding Hood was “packing heat” made the entire Wolf Clan somewhat apprehensive.

*LRRH has bandelario ammo strip across shoulder to waist peeking out from under red cloak. Wolves hiding in fear...watching.*

214. It became apparent that Humpty Dumpty had really been a Bad Egg all along.

*King’s horse and men very sick at the smell coming from large rotten egg on the ground.*

215. The Emperor’s initial defense idea, The Great Sofa, was referred to by rivals as “Soft on Mongols”.

*Monstrous couch at the border of China with vast amount of Mongols all over it, ...many asleep.*

216. Eiffel’s initial design, presented to the Paris town fathers, was patently rejected.

*Eiffel tower with windmill on top.*

217. Roger’s secret use of a “Silent” dog whistle proved most effective against competitors during promenades...

*People watching dogs being walked, freaking out, while “Roger” is hiding behind curtain blowing dog whistle till his cheeks puff out and he turns red. His dog has cotton wads in stuffed in his ears.*

218. Blackbeard steadfastly refused to hear his crew's demands for a better satellite TV provider...

*Crow's nest has battered up old satellite TV dish. Mad crew pointing to it. Blackbeard stands defiant with arms crossed.*

219. Farley was somewhat uncertain that his final answer on the Fireman's Exam would be adequate: "I always wanted to drive a big, shiny red truck with a puppy on it."

*Silly looking fellow with a little plastic fireman's hat.*

220. Godzilla grew more and more concerned as his movie royalties now barely covered the rent.

*Sad looking Godzilla at kitchen table with pile of bills.*

221. Edgar Expletives: "Verbal Training for the Timid".

*Store front business. Group of people inside. Words above their heads: "Gosh", "Aw Shucks", "Dadburnit", "Oh, My Goodness!", "Yo, Mamma" (timid people and big biker.*

222. "Lipstick On A Pig – Ad Agency for the Desperate"

*Store Front with several people outside waiting to go in.*

223. "Shoe for Every Foot - Dating Service"

*Very odd people outside store front, milling around outside waiting to go in.*

224. Nymph's Desire Lube and Oil – "Your Car Will Just Love Us!"

*Sign on fast lube and oil store*

225. The Invisibility Cloak – “Clothing for the Exceeding Shy”

*Sign on store front...people hiding around the corner of store building, looking out shyly.*

226. Just Fooling Around – “The Infidelity Dating Service”

*Sign on store front – People in hoods and cloaks going in.*

227. The Church of Absolute Certainty; Adam Right – Pastor “Check out our Contract with Heaven”

*Church sign out front by road*

228. Lester’s snail collection grew very slowly.”

*Old man with lots of snails on a display board in living room*

229. Saving Your Ass – Donkey Veterinary Service

*Sign on Vet shop with a lab coated man standing out front smiling. Several donkeys out by the side of building.*

230. The Gossip Shop – Cross Reference Our Database – It’s the Juiciest!”

*Sign on store front – people going in and out*

231. Excuses and Alibis – “Language Fabrication Specialists”

*Store Front with people going in and out – with brief cases*

232. Mandy, suffering from ATD (Acute Texting Disorder), could initially, only text her psychiatrist during therapy sessions.

*Scene in psychiatrist’s office – girl on couch with cell phone and seated doctor.*



233. Alice, now a grandmother, refused to give up on an occasional trip down the rabbit hole.

*Small cottage, large oak beside it with wrought iron fence around the tree and a sign over the little gate: "Rabbit Hole". Alice stands by gate as old woman, smiling.*

234. Harold soon realized that claiming "Off World Diplomatic Immunity" held little sway with the state trooper.

*Very odd old man in car with officer writing a ticket for speeding.*

235. Vern soon realized that consuming vast quantities of "Passion Fruit" did little for his love life, but made all the difference with regard to regularity.

*Old man in café headed quickly to the bathroom*

236. Henry Wayne quickly realized that his mail order "One Size Fits All" Mullet Toupee might be a problem.

*Redneck standing on porch of his shack with mullet toupee halfway down over ears and eyes. Pickup up on blocks in front yard.*

237. Emma's experiment with hair mousse on Fluffy proved somewhat unsatisfactory.

*Old woman holding a completely stiff cat...scared look on cat's face.*

238. Lazlo's Lizards –"Your Creepy Pets Store"

*Creepy old man (foreboding look on face) standing in front of small store with sign above.*

239. The persistent rumor that Harvey had been abducted by aliens was reinforced as he consistently used the term “Xfgugufus” to express his dislike of vegetables at the local cafeteria.

*Goofy old man with tinfoil hat and foil covered shoes in cafeteria line with old woman.*

240. Hercules Frump, Arthur of “A Name Isn’t Everything”, enjoyed his moment of fame as guest speaker at the annual meeting of The Association of Wimps and No Bodies.

*Meek little horn rimmed glasses man at the podium with large sign on the back wall.*

241. “Pete’s Parrots”

*Sign on storefront; signs in window over s different parrots: “Vulgar”, “Insipid”, Polite”.*

242. Pete’s Projected Pony Adventures

*Large curved projection screen, Stuffed horse on mechanical system, Indians, arrows, bears, rabbits, buffalos, etc. Little kids lining up for rides. Large fan to blow on horse, “Prairie winds”.*

243. “First Church of Last Resort”

*Little sign near church sign: “Welcome to Last Resort, Nevada”*

244. Edmond’s desire to conquer “Everest” at Shady Rest’s Activities Center was met with clapping, cheers, and Fire Truck Rescue Team Number Four.

*Old man on top of a giant pile of tables, chairs and furniture in the middle of the room. Firemen standing below, geezers clapping and cheering.*

245. Raleigh's determination to persevere in the climb was interrupted only occasionally by his desire to see how far he could spit.

*Old man mountain climber spitting off face of mountain hanging from ropes.*

246. Edgar, a Trekkie, used the term "Fascinating" one time too many on his honeymoon.

*Young fellow standing outside motel door, pounding: "I'm sorry...let me in Honey."*

247. Percy calculated that the proverbial "\$64,000 question" would now be about \$262,000, when adjusted for inflation.

*Silly little man with big glasses behind desk...old fashioned adding machine on desk.*

248. Henry Wayne won 1<sup>st</sup> place for a third year in a row for his possum fat and grits dumpling pie at the Tater Hollar County Fair.

*Hillbilly with teeth missing, smiling broadly with 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbon and pie in one hand. Fair in background.*

249. "Nasty Habits – A Cure for Everything"

*Weird people spitting, cursing, picking their noses and scratching in the wrong places in front a store front with sign: "Nasty Habits-A Cure for Everything"*

250. "Accountants to the Immortals"

*Store front with two very good looking fellows at desks in the window, no one inside store.*

251. “We never listen to political speeches...it’s in out by-laws.”

*Old man being interviewed by reporter with mic at a convention of “The Society for Literal Interpretations”.*

252. “Though, at first it seemed odd to Sidney, he took the news in stride...”

*Newsperson on TV: “Well, absolutely nothing happened today, so...thanks for tuning in...Good Night.”*

253. The news that tomorrow had been cancelled left Marvin completely unconcerned...

*Old man watching TV with “Special Message: Tomorrow Has Been Cancelled.” The Grim Reaper is sitting next to the old man also watching TV.*

254. Since Arnold had no children, he was always referred to as “The Last”.

*Sign by house: Home of Arnold Mohican*

255. “Well Mr. Incinerator, it seems you have no income...it all went up in smoke before you could spend it...”

*Superhero with flames around him standing in a storefront office with accountant. Sign outside: “Accountant to the Superheroes, Jeff Crump, prop.”*

256. Estelle’s “Lennon Sisters’ Wigs for Poodles” proved somewhat less than a monumental success.

*Old woman with several poodles in blond wigs displayed in storefront – Big Sign: “75% OFF”*

257. “Marvin was convinced that somewhere out West, near the Great Salt Lake there had to be a Black Pepper Plain.

*Old man in a safari hat looking over mountain top at the Bonneville Salt Flats in Nevada.*

258. Sidney’s progress at the psychiatrist suddenly received a serious setback with the appearance of the evil TuTu God Frank.

*Couch scene, doctor and patient, “Sidney” freaking out as the ceiling is exploded open with burly, hair, bare chested mean looking fellow in a tutu looking down on patient. Doc is unaware.*

259. Agnes knew it was only a matter of time before her sister’s laughing and ridicule regarding her condition, would cease.

*“Fred’s Shearing Service” Large sign, sheep lined up going in wooly (Laughing at “Agnes”) as sheared sheep come back out (embarrassed).*

260. Winfred, a notorious flasher, upped the shock value of his “performances” by wearing a full body stocking with multiple “private parts” in all the wrong places, silk screened in...”

*Old man with back to “reader” and raincoat spread open to shocked people with “DUH” look on their faces. Some have heads turned sideways to get a better “view”.*

261. “Wallace the Radio Mime” finally retired after forty years of excruciating silence.

*Old man looking at an old fashioned microphone mounted on a plaque on his fireplace mantle. Sober old man with hands behind back looking at trophy.*

262. Bubba's use of black pepper up the nose assured Ruffie of a really good sneeze to blow out his birthday cake candles.

*Dog sneezing and blowing out candles , slobber and wet sneeze stuff going everywhere. Old man holds black pepper shaker behind his back as kids and wife look on excitedly. Dog has party has strapped on.*

263. "We're reporting live from the First Intergalactic Bowl...parking seems to be a bit of a problem..."

*Announcer in blimp looking down at football stadium with hundreds of cars and flying saucers in the parking lot below.*

264. Though Ethel was absolutely certain there was a small bank teller inside every ATM, she failed to convince her husband Farley.

*Silly old woman in a frumpy hat, lecturing a small, reserved and neatly dressed husband in front of an ATM.*

265. Gladis, while speaking before her ladies book club, suggested they consider reading the autobiography of Jesus; the King James Version.

*Old woman talking to a group of other old women. All are staring in disbelief at each other.*

266. Pastor Bob was certain his sermon was hitting a nerve with at least one of his congregation...

*Old man has fingers in his ears, humming to himself, looking down.*

267. It became entirely obvious that Werner, envious of the young, took the expression: "Life in the Fast Lane" a bit too literal.

*Old man camped with tent and camp fire and hammock in the "fast lane" of a huge freeway in a big city. Horns blaring and people waving...he ignores all.*

268. Winslow could not help but notice how the gophers were digging up his back yard.

*Small backhoe and 4 gophers with hardhats, one on machine, digging a long trench in yard as old man looks on from porch.*

269. Grandma, a woman of rather loose moral behavior in the 1940's, had a completely misguided concept of the new "Social Networking" craze.

*Gaudy old woman with way too much makeup and risqué clothing with images of very buff young men in a thought bubble over his head.*

270. "Frank the Talking Toilet" would not discuss the lurid details of his profession.

*Toilet with eyes and nose on tank and seat-lid as a mouth talking to reporter with mic. Word bubble overhead "No comment".*

271. Arthur had never really considered the consequences of his unauthorized use of an old abandoned building.

*Old man cooking at a stove facing outside wall as large wrecking ball is swinging towards him. He can't see it and they can't see him.*

272. Ralph was aware of his dog occasionally copying him, but this was new...

*Old man walks in on male dog standing on two legs at a toilet with his back to man. Dog is glancing over his shoulder at man.*

273. Lydia, new to America, wondered at the strange looks from her neighbor when she asked if her poodle could "turn tricks".

*Angry looks from neighbor as woman leans over fence to ask about their poodle.*

274. Roger's uncontrolled urge to climb trees left Wanda to wonder if she should even consider a second date.

*Old man sitting on limb while frustrated old woman looks up...people in park also looking up at grinning old man.*

275. Mona's love for the Home Shopper's Network "Bargain of the Day" finally slowed.

*Old woman with large number of unwrapped boxes in living room finally completely blocking TV from being viewed from couch.*

276. Earl felt if only the doctor would perform one more "procedure", he would win Viola's heart.

*Old man with thought bubble over his head...doctors in surgery...love of old woman.*

277. Adolph's intense training had paid off as he "blew past" the competition in the Shady Rest Trike-bike Annual race.

*Big banners, old geezers, bike-trikes, Very Old crazed geezers with determined faces.*

278. Finny knew he had won Estelle's heart as she lovingly handled his special collection of Lawrence Welk vinyl LP's.

*Old people at Shady rest – LW poster on wall: big words on poster: "And, a one and a two..."*

279. Bubba Joe knew two squirrel tails on his CB antenna was much better than one any day.

*Hillbilly beaming with pride as he lovingly adds a second tail to a rusty old antenna on a beat up old pickup as a hillbilly pigtailed, bucktoothed girl looks on grinning.*



280. Had Aknad better understood his reincarnated past lives, the desire to collect ancient head dresses might have been better controlled.

*Egyptian dude with dozens of Pharaoh type stuff on the walls. Vague image of old Pharaoh ghostly appearing in background. It's him then! Throne in living room as well.*

281. Bubba reconsidered teasing and “poking fun” at the foreign-looking fellow in a turban with an oil lamp under one arm...

*Smoke and astonishment on Bubba's face as a Genie turns Bubba's bottom half into frog legs. His buddies are all looking scared at the bar across the street...beer in their hands.*

282. Cindy Lou, new to higher math, shyly asked the teacher exactly what flavor of pi is used most often in equations.

*Silly hillbilly girl with hand raised in class-formulas on blackboard and a teacher with a “duh” look on his face. Students giggling.*

283. Lazlo's new book: “Inventions Nobody Ever Thought of...” immediately earned him a “Defense Department Contract”...

*Black stretch cars and several men in sunglasses and black suits are escorting old man away by the arms...he's scared.*

284. By the time Willie Nillie reached the age of 10, he demanded everyone call him “Bob”.

*Frustrated little kid lecturing his parents.*

285. Upon becoming a billionaire, Mr. Willie Nillie gave a party where he sang the Sinatra song, “My Way”.

*Goofy fellow with bowtie and a blond on each arm, mic in hand at plush party.*

286. Herbert felt that his “Lively Liver Burgers” just needed a little more time to take off.

*Three burger shops in a row...Lively Liver is abandoned, the rest have lots of people. Sign on Lively Liver: Try our Raw Onion Topper.*

287. Rudolph, a centenarian, relished living on Hard Street and spending time each evening in his Hard Chair.

*Old man sitting in a hard wood chair on a porch at the corner of Hard and Easy streets.*

288. Roland, who suffered from an acute ferret fetish, seldom left his home.

*Old man with ferrets everywhere, even in frig, sticking out of shirt and pants waist band.*

289. Lenny’s gold neck chains, excessive after shave, and sky blue leisure suit created an immediate sensation at Shady Rest.

*Old man “duded up” with many gold chains and a horde of old ladies looking longingly at him... has one gold tooth and cheap used car salesman look.*

290. Upon

*Goofy*