

# The Gloom Dispensers

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The telephone gloom, when there are no actual bad tidings to broadcast, will ring up on a nice pleasant morning and tell you she's been thinking of some far off relative and can't get said person out of her mind. "I'm SURE Ida has met with an accident or something!"



Growing girls of the younger generation are the cause of much gloomy foreboding on the part of the older and soberer generation. "What," they groan, "WILL their children be like!"



The defeated candidate sees not a ray of hope on the clouded political horizon. Has a lot to say about sinister influences and money interests behind his defeat. It's a gloomy world for the common peepul.



We have with us this day the gloom dispensing lady who deals in horoscopes and plain and fancy numerology. If your name is John Jones you are in for a gloomy future, according to Mme. Cassandra, unless you change your cognomen to Ichnuma, or Weehawken. That's the kind of a girl she is!



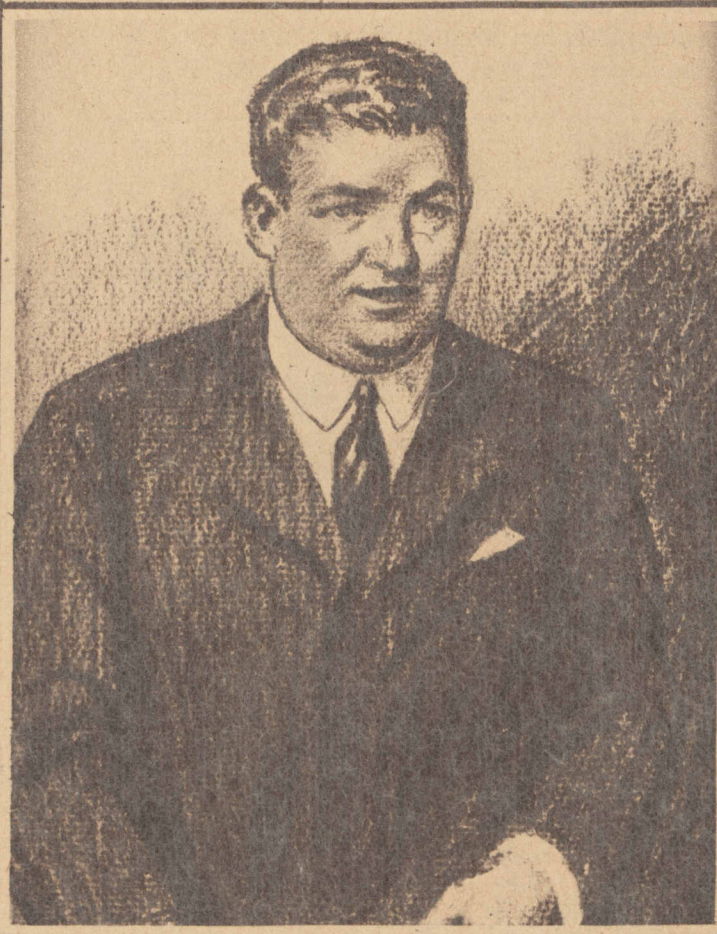
Harold, the grillroom gloom, is the original appetite despoiler. Says he: "If we could see the places where the food they serve in restaurants is cooked, I'll bet we'd never eat anything away from home!"



Those sensitive souls with an eye for the beautiful in life are ever being saddened by the Bartlett pear-shaped craniums of the ladies who failed to think twice before bobbing. Many an esthete has been plunged in gloom by these sights!



The pessimism of the overtired business man sees everything about as black as they make 'em. More world wars, business depression and chronic indigestion are what the age is headed for, opines the O. T. B. M.



Statistics show that much of the current mental depression and the gloomy dispositions in this great land of ours are caused by the heavy humorous line of the substitute broadcasters who fill in when called upon.