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you may have seen these clever retorts before...they're good ones. they have been around before....really clever.

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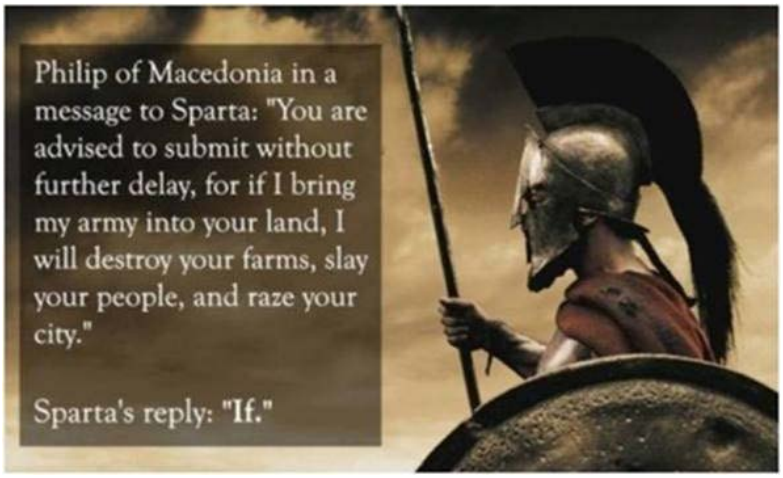
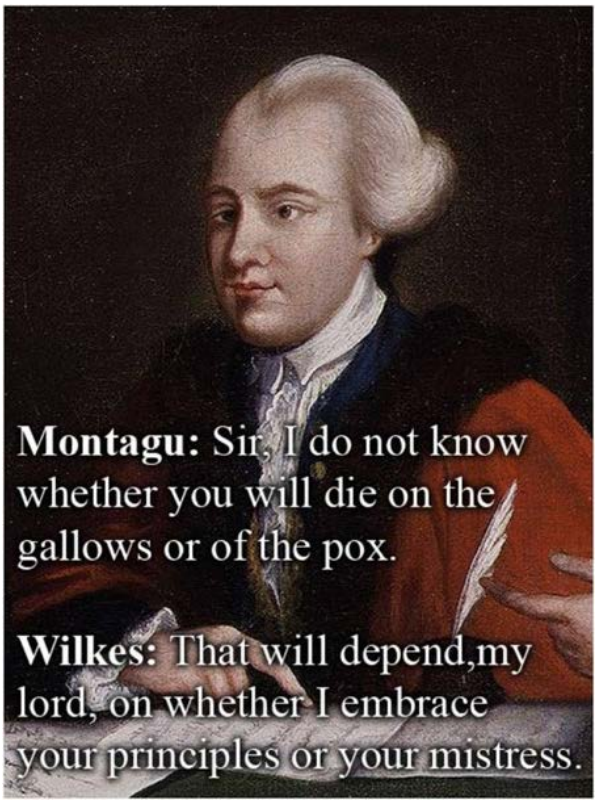
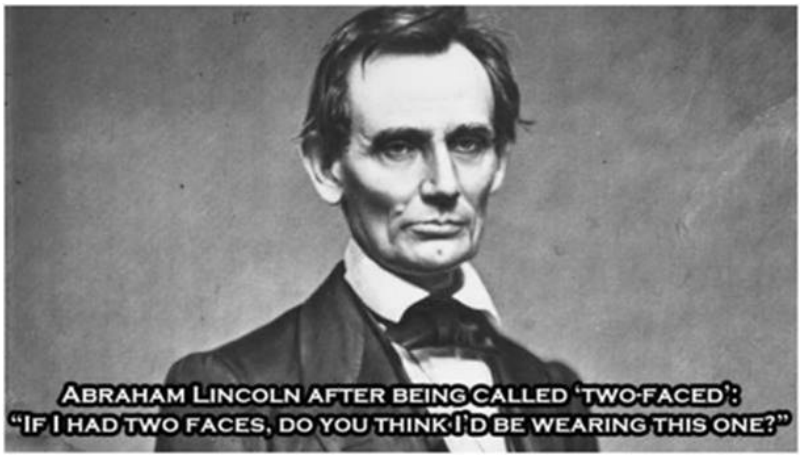
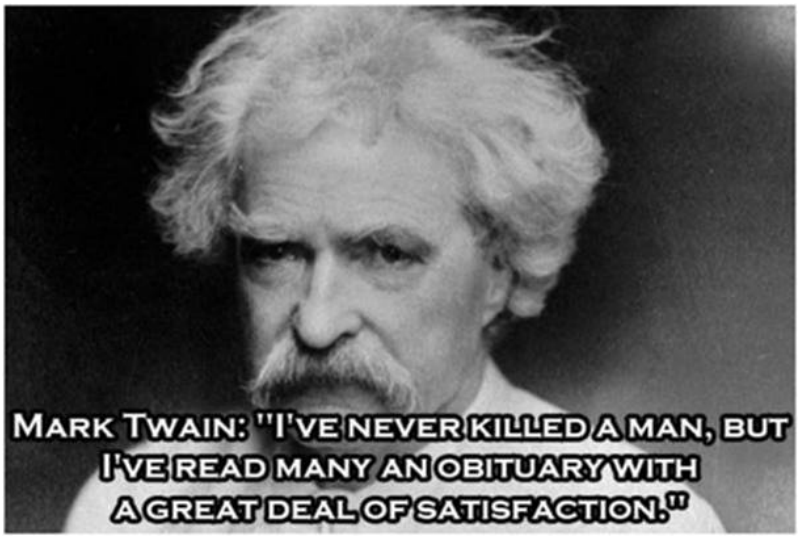
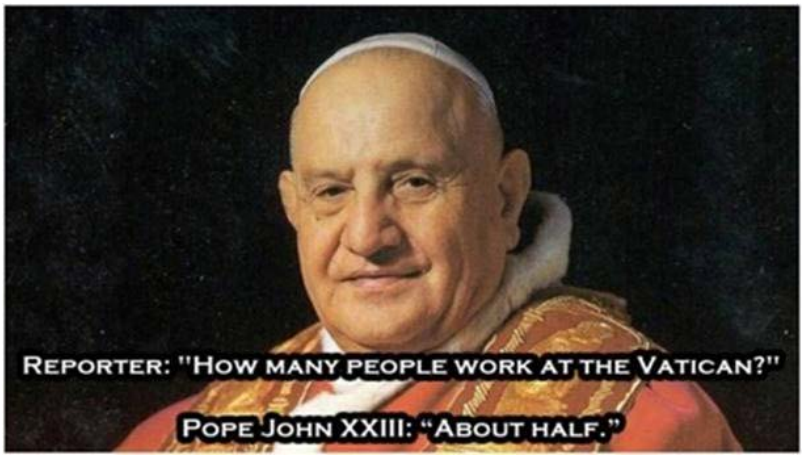
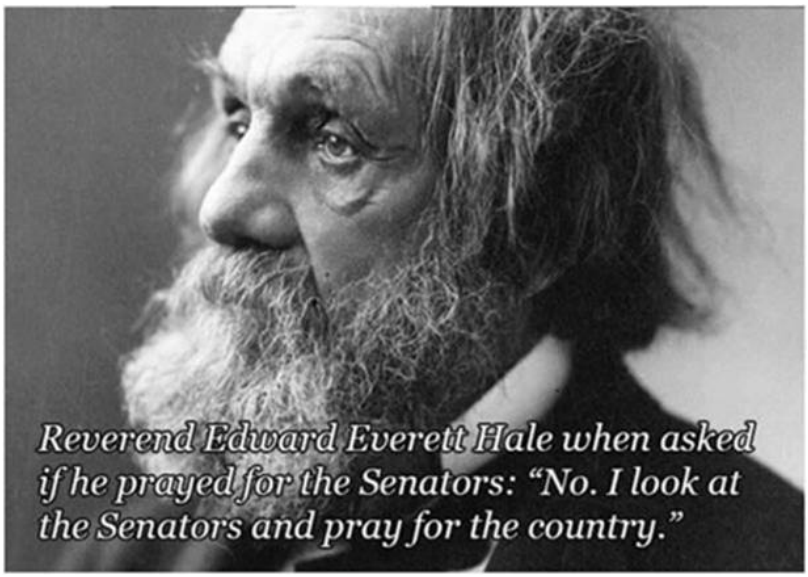


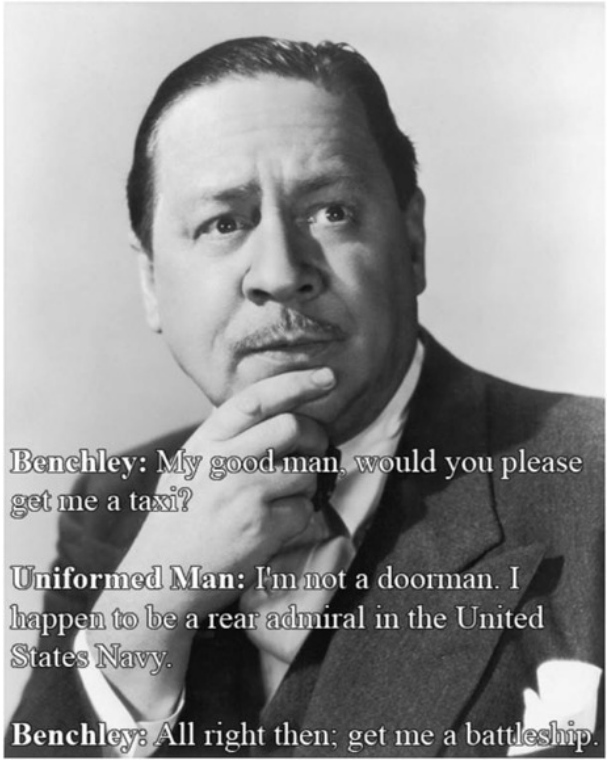

Montagu: Sir, I do not know whether you will die on the gallows or of the pox.
Wilkes: That will depend,my lord, on whether I embrace your principles or your mistress.

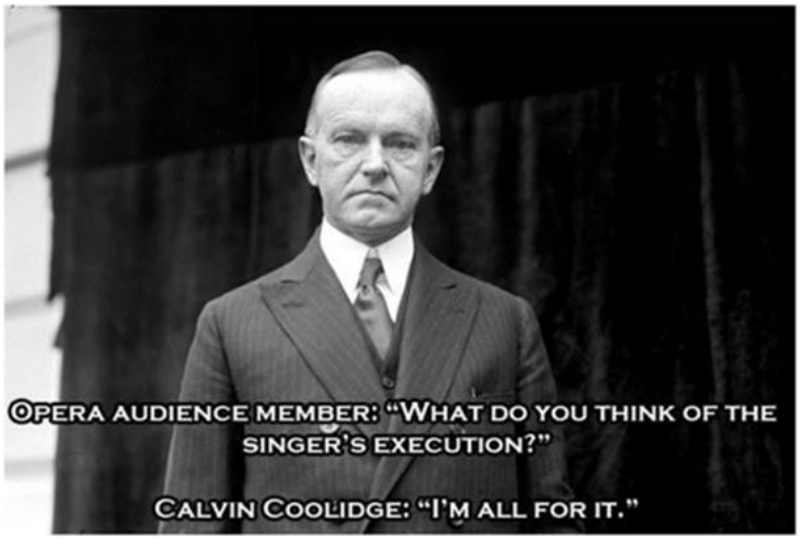

ABRAHAM LINCOLN AFTER BEING CALLED 'TWO-FACED':
"IF I HAD TWO FACES, DO YOU THINK I'D BE WEARING THIS ONE?"


MARK TWAIN: "I'VE NEVER KILLED A MAN, BUT
I'VE READ MANY AN OBITUARY WITH
A GREAT DEAL OF SATISFACTION."

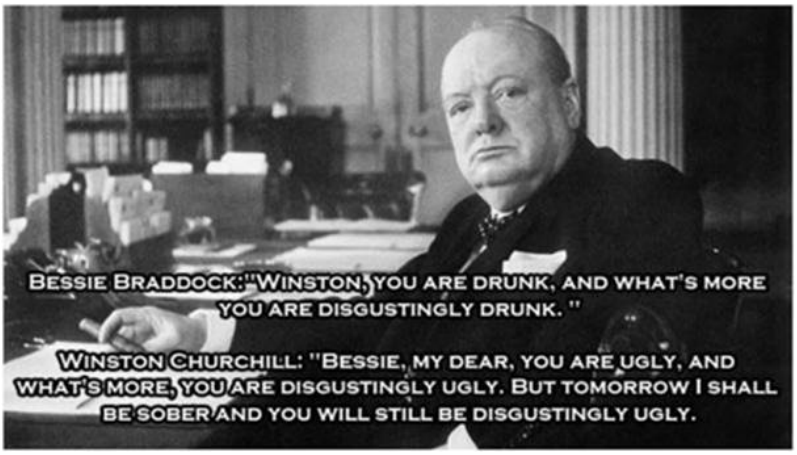

REPORTER: "HOW MANY PEOPLE WORK AT THE VATICAN?"
POPE JOHN XXIII: "ABOUT HALF."

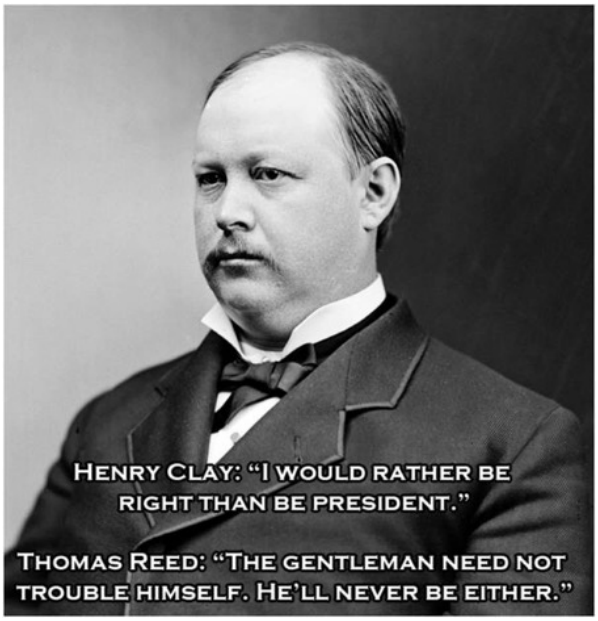

Reverend Edward Everett Hale when asked if he prayed for the Senators: "No. I look at the Senators and pray for the country."

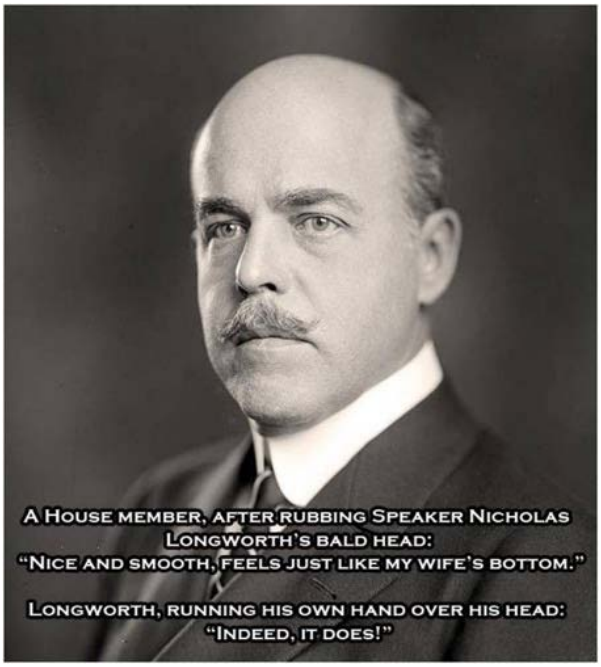

Benchley: My good man, would you please get me a taxi?
Uniformed Man: I'm not a doorman. I happen to be a rear admiral in the United States Navy.
Benchley: All right then; get me a battleship.

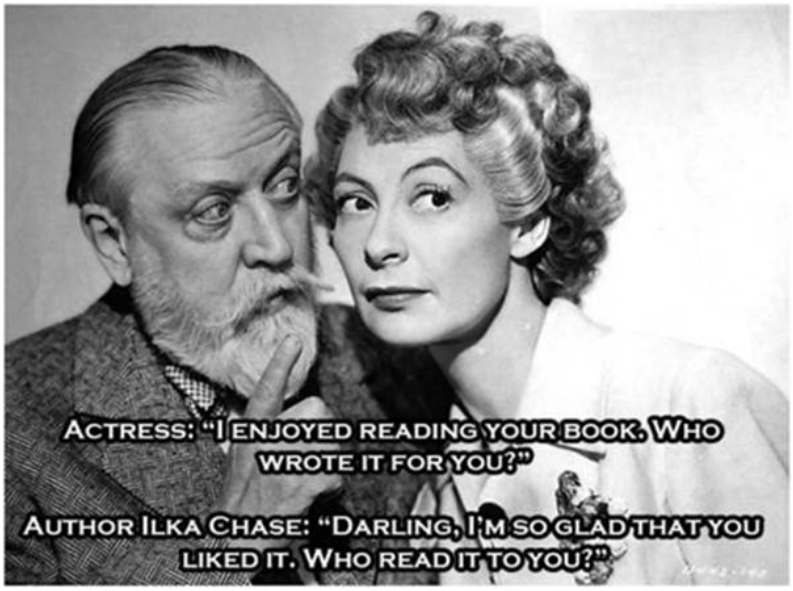

OPERA AUDIENCE MEMBER: "WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE SINGER'S EXECUTION?"
CALVIN COOLIDGE: "I'M ALL FOR IT."

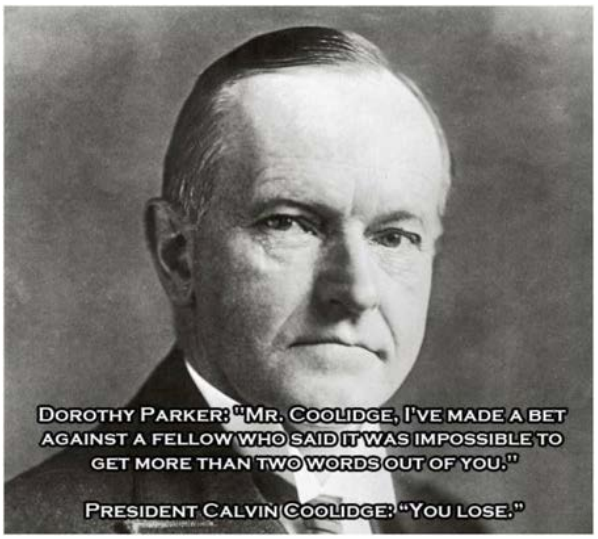
PLAYWRIGHT NOEL COWARD: "EDNA, YOU ALMOST LOOK LIKE A MAN."
NOVELIST EDNA FERBER: "SO DO YOU."


Bessie Braddock: "Winston, you are drunk, and what's more you are disgustingly drunk."
Winston Churchill: "Bessie, my dear, you are ugly, and what's more, you are disgustingly ugly. But tomorrow I shall be sober and you will still be disgustingly ugly.


Henry Clay: "I would rather be right than be president."
Thomas Reed: "The gentleman need not trouble himself. He'll never be either."


A House member, after rubbing Speaker Nicholas Longworth's bald head:
"Nice and smooth, feels just like my wife's bottom."
Longworth, running his own hand over his head:
"Indeed, it does!"

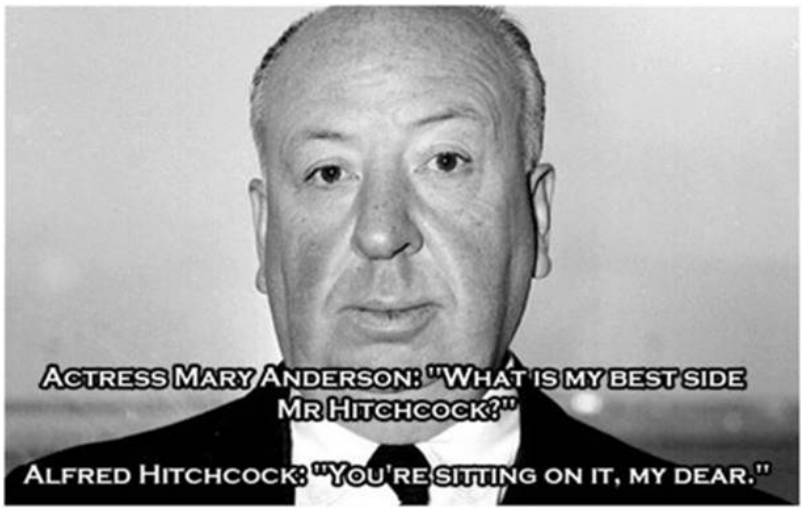

ACTRESS: "I ENJOYED READING YOUR BOOK. WHO WROTE IT FOR YOU?"
AUTHOR ILKA CHASE: "DARLING, I'M SO GLAD THAT YOU LIKED IT. WHO READ IT TO YOU?"

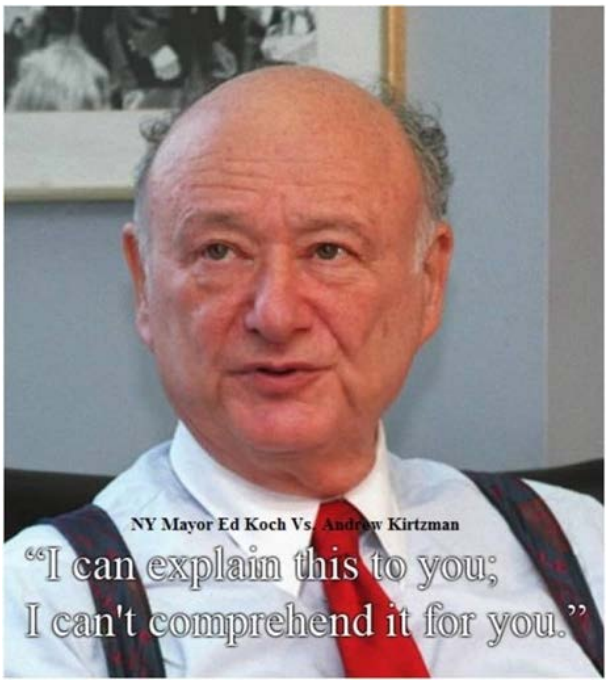

DOROTHY PARKER: "MR. COOLIDGE, I'VE MADE A BET AGAINST A FELLOW WHO SAID IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO GET MORE THAN TWO WORDS OUT OF YOU."
PRESIDENT CALVIN COOLIDGE: "YOU LOSE."

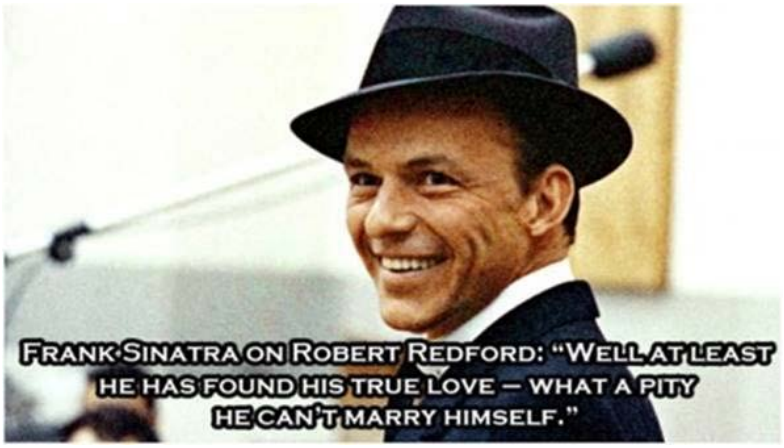
Shaw: Have reserved two tickets for opening night. Come and bring a friend, if you have one.
Churchill: Impossible to come to first night. Will come to second night, if you have one.

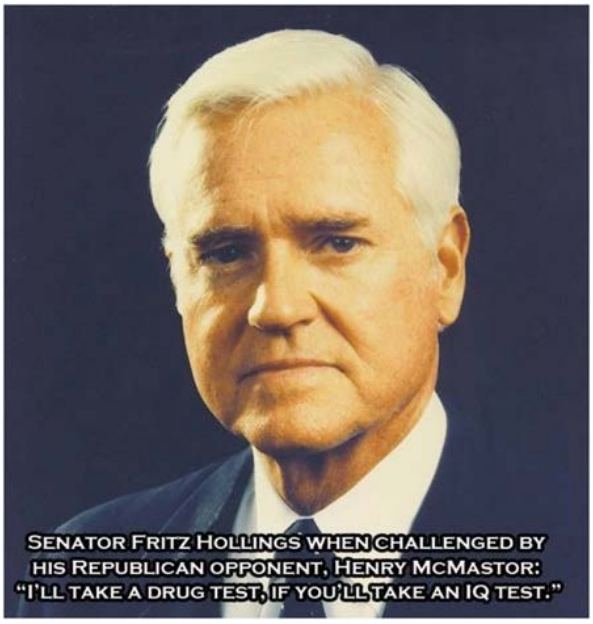
DRUNK MAN: "I CAN'T BEAR FOOLS."
DOROTHY PARKER: "APPARENTLY YOUR MOTHER COULD."

GROUCHO MARX: "I NEVER FORGET A FACE, BUT
IN YOUR CASE I'LL BE GLAD TO MAKE AN EXCEPTION"

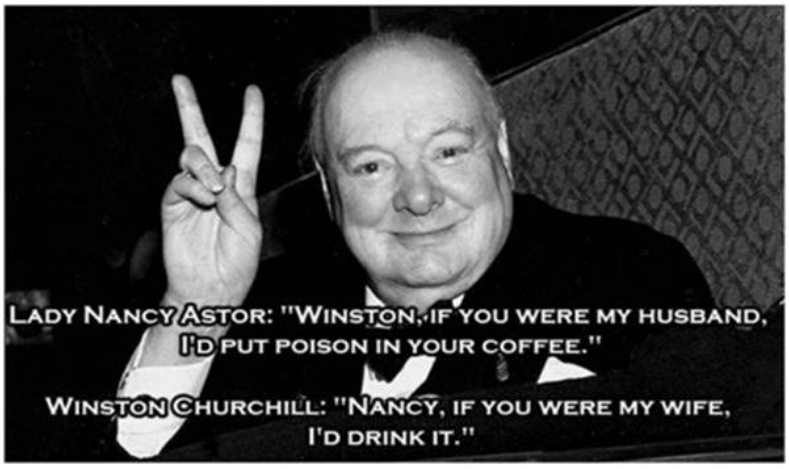

ACTRESS MARY ANDERSON: "WHAT IS MY BEST SIDE
MR HITCHCOCK?"
ALFRED HITCHCOCK: "YOU'RE SITTING ON IT, MY DEAR."

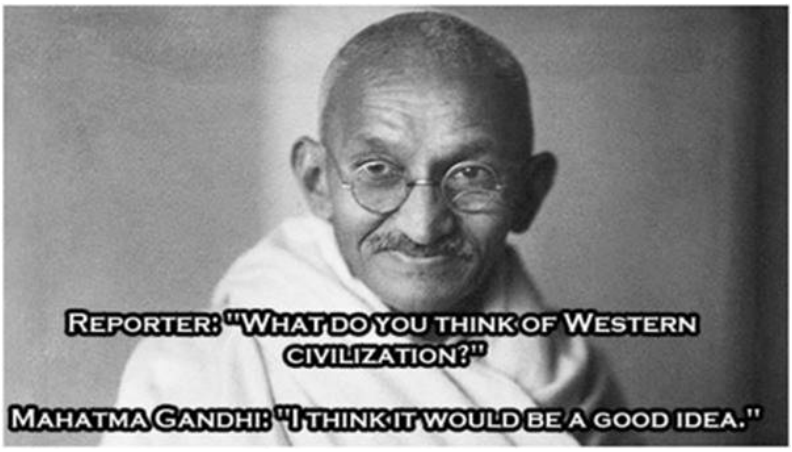

NY Mayor Ed Koch Vs. Andrew Kirtzman
"I can explain this to you;
I can't comprehend it for you."


FRANK SINATRA ON ROBERT REDFORD: "WELL AT LEAST
HE HAS FOUND HIS TRUE LOVE – WHAT A PITY
HE CAN'T MARRY HIMSELF."


SENATOR FRITZ HOLLINGS WHEN CHALLENGED BY
HIS REPUBLICAN OPPONENT, HENRY MCMASTOR:
"I'LL TAKE A DRUG TEST, IF YOU'LL TAKE AN IQ TEST."

MEMBER OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT: "MR. CHURCHILL, MUST YOU FALL ASLEEP WHILE I'M SPEAKING?"
WINSTON CHURCHILL: "NO, IT'S PURELY VOLUNTARY."


LADY NANCY ASTOR: "WINSTON, IF YOU WERE MY HUSBAND, I'D PUT POISON IN YOUR COFFEE."
WINSTON CHURCHILL: "NANCY, IF YOU WERE MY WIFE, I'D DRINK IT."


REPORTER: "WHAT DO YOU THINK OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION?"
MAHATMA GANDHI: "I THINK IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA."