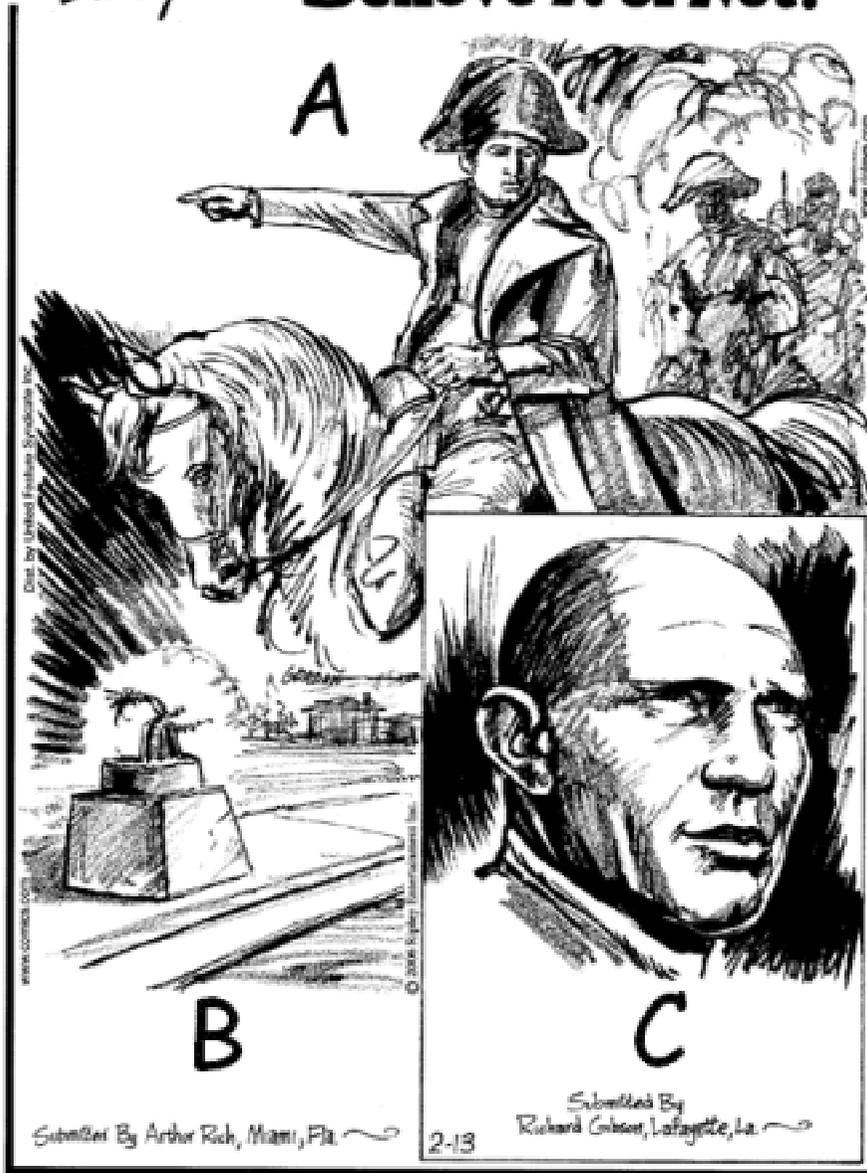


#78-a (2/13/2006)

Ripley's Believe It or Not!



< TASK 1 > Read the articles (1) to (3).
And figure out which article they come from.
Write A, B, or C.

- (1) _____ In a 1947 football game, Y.A. Tittle of Louisiana State University returned an interception of 50 yards despite the fact that his pants were falling down!
- (2) _____ Napoleon's armies always approached on the right side of the road, forcing most of Europe to do the same. Nearly 200 years later --- that's still the side of the road motorists use!
- (3) _____ Within a few weeks in late 2005, 130 30-foot-high aluminum lamp poles were stolen from the streets of Baltimore, Ma. --- and nobody saw who took them!

<TASK 2> Answer the questions.

- (4) How many yards did Y.A. Tittle return an interception?
- (5) In most of Europe, which side of the road do motorists use?
- (6) What was stolen from the streets of Baltimore in late 2005?



< ANSWERS >

- (1) C (2) A (3) B
- (4) He returned an interception of 50 yards.
- (5) They use the right side of the road.
- (6) As many as 130 30-foot-high aluminum lamp poles were.

< WORDS & PHRASES >

Napoleon's armies 「ナポレオン(人名)の軍隊」
 always approached on ~ 「いつも~を進んでいた」
 the right side of the road 「道の右側」
 forcing most of Europe to do the same
 「ヨーロッパの大部分に同じようにすることを強要した」
 Nearly 200 years later 「200年近く後でも」
 that's still ~ 「それ(右側)は~である」
 the side of the road motorists use
 「車の運転手が利用する道路の側」

Within a few weeks 「数週間の中に」
 in late 2005 「2005年終わり頃」
 130 30-foot-high aluminum lamp poles
 「高さが30フィートあるアルミ製街灯の支柱130本」
 were stolen from the streets of ~ 「~の通りから盗まれた」
 Baltimore, Ma. (地名)
 nobody saw who took them
 「誰がそれらを盗んだのか誰にも分からなかった」

In a 1947 football game
 「1947年に行われたフットボールの試合で」
 Y.A. Tittle (人名)
 Louisiana State University (大学名)
 returned an interception of 50 yards
 「相手のボールを奪い、50ヤード前進した」
 despite the fact that ... 「...という状況下でありながら」
 his pants were falling down 「彼のズボンが下がっていた」