The Sam & Jesse Radio Show

Week 10, Episode 4: Twinkies May Be Dangerous to Your Health

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| 00:00 |  | Twinkies may be dangerous to your health. |
| 00:02 |  | [music] |
| 00:09 | Narrator | [over music] It’s time now for another day in the life of Sam and Jesse. Gum Springs, Arkansas. |
| 00:23 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 00:33 | Jesse | Sam, I thought I told you to stop makin’ personal remarks about our customers. |
| 00:37 | Sam | Well, I done quit that. |
| 00:38 | Jesse | No, you never quit it! What about what you said to Miss Thompkins? You told her her stockins was all wrinkled. |
| 00:44 | Sam | Well, what’s wrong with that? I-I was just bein’ nice. |
| 00:46 | Jesse | Well, she wasn’t wearin’ none at the time. That’s what was wrong with it. Now, keep ya’ thoughts to yourself. |
| 00:50 | Sam | Now, that’s the trouble with you, Jesse Prather. You don’t never talk unless you got somethin’ to say. B-but, now look at this here, now, in this paper. W-we gotta do somethin’ about this. |
| 00:59 | Jesse | W-what’s that? Well, that’s nothin’ but an old package of cigarettes come in. |
| 01:03 | Sam | Well, now-now look what it says. “Warnin’. Some kind of general has determined that cigarette smokin’ may be dangerous to your health.” Now, what about that? |
| 01:13 | Jesse | Well, Sam, they done that about three years ago. |
| 01:17 | Sam | I didn’t know that! Well-well, now it’s about time the government done somethin’ about cigarettes, but they ain’t gon’ far enough, Jesse. |
| 01:24 | Jesse | Well, what do you mean “far enough?” |
| 01:25 | Sam | Well, there’s lots of things that’s dangerous to your health that they ain’t put no warnin’ sign on them, yet. [overlap] |
| 01:29 | Jesse | [overlap] Well, well what, for instance? |
| 01:31 | Sam | Well, like books for instance. Now, Kim Lacey give me one of them new novels in the library. And I ain’t been so shocked since I was twelve years old, a-and I turned to page forty-three in that Sears catalog. It ain’t right to put things like that in books without warnin’ ya’. Why-why a book like that can ruin a feller. |
| 01:50 | Jesse | Well, I doubt the government ever does that. They so scared they’ll step on somebodies toes a little. They’ll let any kind of filth and trash in the world be sold before they’ll put some pornographer out of work. |
| 02:00 | Sam | Well, somethin’ ought to be done, Jesse. Now, all them movies an’ stuff can-can- they can ruin a mind as fast as cigarettes can ruin a pair of lungs. And that ain’t all. Now, they oughta put a warnin’ on them motorcycles, too. They ain’t nothin’ but two-wheel coffins. |
| 02:15 | Jesse | Well, I don’t see how a warnin’s gonna help. People nutty enough to ride one of them contraptions wouldn’t quit just ‘cause somebody told ‘em it was dangerous. |
| 02:23 | Sam | Well, if they had any sense they would. |
| 02:25 | Jesse | Oh, you think so, do ya’? Well, let me- no, listen, how many twinkies have you eat [sic] today? |
| 02:30 | Sam | Well, um- thirteen in all. |
| 02:32 | Jesse | Uh huh! Well, do you know what that much sugar does to you? It’s dangerous, Sam. Makes you overweight. Puts too much sugar in your blood. Now, they ought to tell you that. Twinkies may be dangerous to your health. |
| 02:43 | Sam | That’s crazy, Jesse. Why, the government don’t have no business tellin’ me what I can or can’t eat. That’s my business. I bet it’s them communists whose starin’ all this lyin’ about twinkies. Give me one of them twinkies, Jesse. I’ll show the government busy bodies they can’t run my life from Washington, D.C. Lookie here. I’m eatin’ a twinkie. Come and get me if ya’ dare. [music overlaps] |
| 03:00 |  | [music] |
| 03:10 |  | [music fades out, then repeats] |
| 03:18 | Leon | Hey, Sam. Mr. Jesse told me to watch the station until you got back. Said you’d gone to take your salary to bank. |
| 03:24 | Sam | Yeah, I figured I better take it. It’s not big enough to go by itself. Say Leon, me and Jesse was arguing about if it done any good to put a warnin’ on stuff, like cigarettes and things like that. You reckon they do any good? |
| 03:38 | Leon | Well, sure they do Sam. Kept my uncle out of a whole bunch of trouble. You remember him and Periwinkle [Link? Leep?] The one with the funny eyes from over there at Dewdrop? |
| 03:48 | Sam | I remember. Yeah, he could watch a tennis game without movin’ his head. What about him, Leon? ‘Bout a warnin’, I mean. |
| 03:55 | Leon | Well, it happened just in time, Sam. I mean just in time. Periwinkle had had three kids, ya’ know. And just when him and Aunt Icy, his old lady, was gettin’ ready to have meetin’ about the next one. Well, Periwinkle read this warnin’ in this here book. |
| 04:11 | Sam | Warnin’? What’d it say? |
| 04:13 | Leon | It said that every forth child in the world was born to Chinese. Now, wouldn’t that been a mess, Sam? ‘Course I’d liked to heard the little feller talk some China-man talk, but-but, now, how-how’d they ever explain him down there at the school? [music overlap] |
| 04:23 |  | [music] |