

# Uncle Jim's Proverbs

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Every American citizen is involved in politics, some people do politics, the rest have it done to them

Never eat anything larger than your head.

Compassion absent the ability to say no, is moral idiocy.

What you gain in the popcorn you lose in the bananas.

Never tell a boss what you *really* think of him.

When someone says "I'm not getting down to their level", don't expect anything at any level.

Never look directly at a flip chart.

People can eventually forgive anything except having their money stolen.

Big planets attract big meteorites.

Never importune oracles.

Never use locals as hit men.

Dotted lines on organizational charts seldom point to buried treasure.

You can survive a king's wrath but not his courtiers'.

The perfect is the enemy of the good, and so is everything else.

Political alliances break up by last in, first out.

The merger of any two political organizations always creates a third.

Splits in progressive movements usually arise between white men who can't dance and everyone else.

America has a dog in every fight.

A politician's respect for any environmental activist varies as the square of the distance between them

Don't expect anything except political decisions from political processes.

The only people who don't know what's best for small towns are the people who live there.

Remove either of the two elements in salt and what's left over is poison.

Lapsed Christians still long for the apocalypse.

Some days it's just one abyss after another

People with vision don't need "visioning".

Never abandon a volunteer until they let you down seven times.

Information is ammunition.

If you fail at being a good example, you can still serve as a good bad-example.

As between two job offers, take the one with the smartest boss.

A president's values are reflected by his choice of golf partners.

To solve any intractable problem, enlarge it.

Domesticated animals bring out the worst in wild animals.

American generals will sacrifice their life for their country, but not their careers.

**Life's dissatisfactions are like headaches, curing one doesn't make you happy.**

In the first congressional election after the rapture, D's will pick up 200 seats.

An average manager can generally subdue an above average professional.