

# Verse and Reverse

## THE TRIUMPH OF WISDOM

By S. E. Kiser

SERENE upon my way I go,  
By no old-fashioned fears deterred;  
My reason tells me, and I know  
That signs and portents are absurd;  
I do not keep an amulet,  
No superstition haunts my mind;  
I'm far too wise to be upset  
By quackery of any kind.

IT'S long since I have been afraid  
To pass a graveyard late at night;  
If salt is spilled I'm not dismayed,  
For why should that bring on a fight?  
No rabbit's foot or lucky stone  
Means anything at all to me;  
Still, I've a prejudice, I own,  
Against thirteen and twenty-three.

I AM not one of those who fear  
That Friday may be full of harm;  
It always makes me smile to hear  
That fortune lurks within a charm;  
How foolish to think that or this  
May bring a man good luck or ill;  
I own up to no prejudice  
Against a nice two-dollar bill.

I DO not fear to walk below  
A ladder set against a wall;  
I let lost horseshoes lie, and go  
Ahead, with no alarm at all,  
But I've a prejudice I'll keep,  
I think, until my dying day  
Against black cats that slyly creep  
Across my path, and slink away.



# THEM DAYS IS GONE FOREVER— "Ain't We Got Fun!"

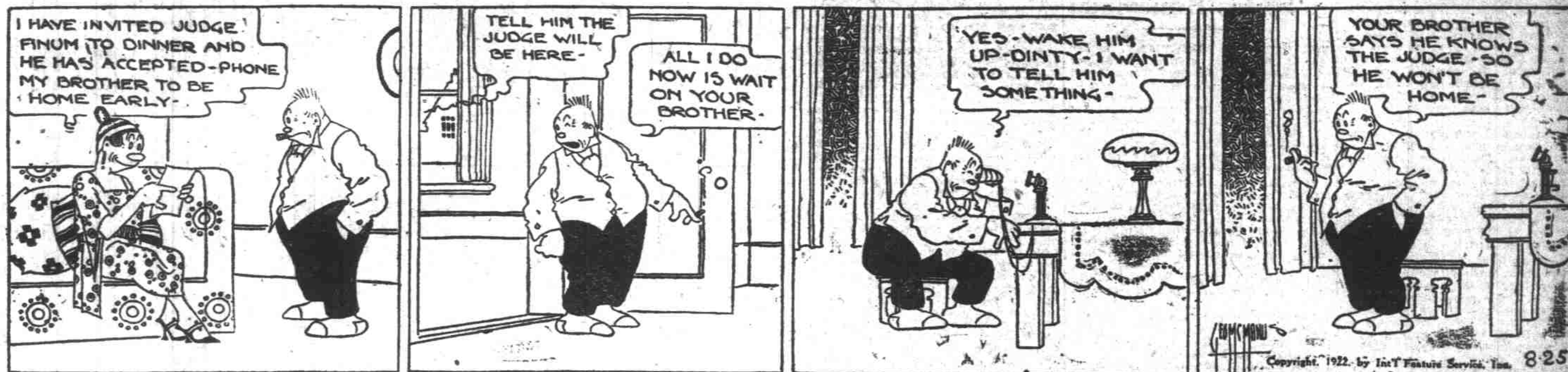
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## BRINGING UP FATHER

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Krazy's Friend Is Quite a Scrapper



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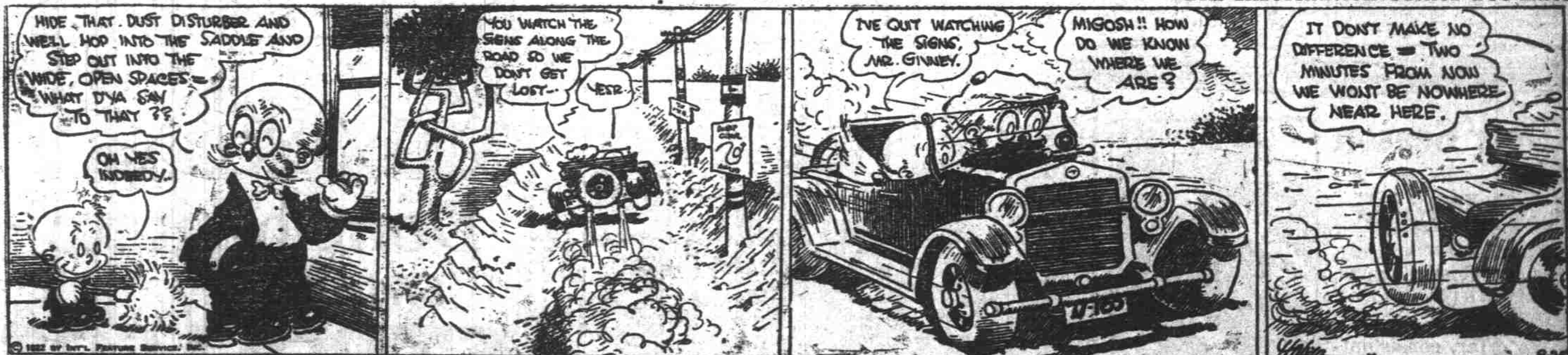
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## JERRY ON THE JOB

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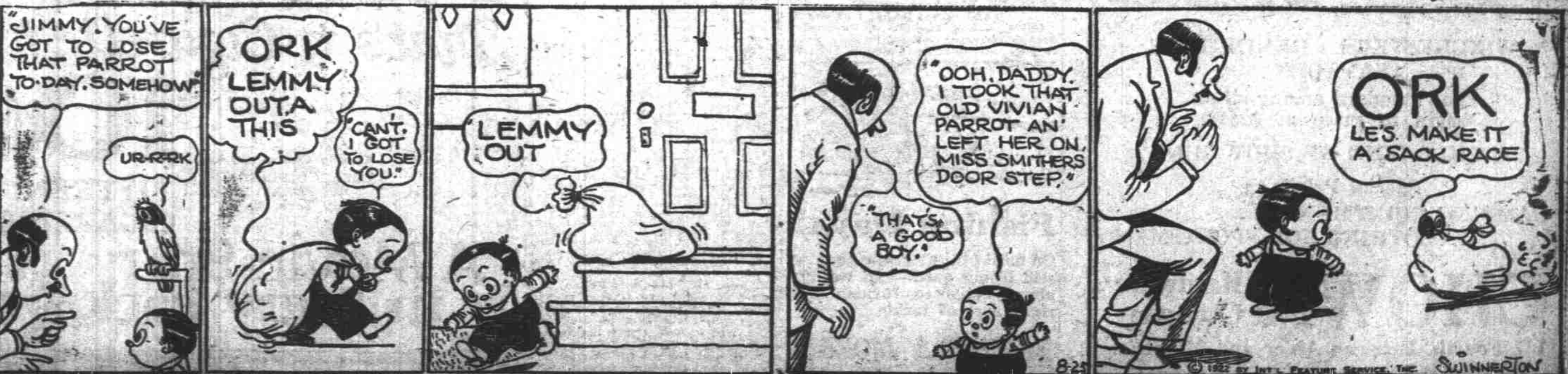
The Information Comes Too Late



## LITTLE JIMMY

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Mrs. Smithers Nearly Has a Guest



## Electric Concerns Discuss Extension And Other Issues

Olympia, Wash., Aug. 25.—That there always has existed discrimination between electric companies regarding electric line extensions in the state was the consensus of opinion of the representatives of 30 electric companies who have been meeting with Hance Cleland, supervisor of utilities, during the last two days in an effort to establish uniform regulations covering this phase of the company's work.

Each company has its own policy in governing line extensions, it was stated, and there have been many complaints and much trouble in adjusting individual cases.

Charles Fleming, mayor of Spokane, and James Geharty, Spokane corporation counsel, asked that a provision

covering a refund charge on line extensions be included. Supervisor Cleland assured them that a refund charge would be provided in the rules. The suggestion of Herbert Flagg, chief engineer for the department, that the utilities should provide one pole, 150 feet of wire and that the rest should be paid for by the purchaser, was taken under consideration.

Present at the hearing were representatives from Wenatchee, Yakima, Walla Walla, Bremerton, Chehalis, Vancouver, Tacoma, and Seattle.

## Lightner Declares He'll Fight Case; Rails at Treatment

Los Angeles, Aug. 25.—"I haven't given up the fight yet," declared Dave Lightner, alleged arch-dope smuggler, brought back from Shanghai to face federal charges at Portland, Or. Lightner, who is awaiting preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Long on August 28, asserted that authorities had no right to bring him back from China and claims that he was literally "shanghaied."

"They didn't have a warrant," he said, "but it was held just the same." He complained bitterly of the treatment he received when he was brought back aboard the steamer West Farallone.

"After the boat got under way they constructed a special cell on shipboard lining it with sheet iron, and for days I was confined in that ill-smelling hole, chained to the wall."

Lightning knocked a Kansas man out of his bed and according to the reports the first words he said were, "All right, dear, I'll get up."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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