



IT'S PAPA WHO PAYS!

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PAPA, HELP US THINK UP SOME FUNNY NAMES, WILL YA?



THEY'RE GONNA GIVE PRIZES TO THE KIDS THAT SUGGEST THE FUNNIEST NAMES FOR NEW CHARACTERS TO GO IN THE TOOTS AND CASPER COMIC STAMPS.



SURE, I'LL HELP YOU SO YOU CAN MAIL YOUR LETTERS IN TODAY!

UNCLE MCGOOF IS ON HIS WAY TO CALL ON US, PAPA!



I SUPPOSE HE WANTS TO HORN IN ON A FREE MEAL, THE TIGHT-WAD!



WE'LL ASK UNCLE MCGOOF TO THINK UP SOME FUNNY NAMES FOR US TO SEND IN, TOO.



BE NICE TO UNCLE MCGOOF, PAPA! IF WE MAKE A HIT WITH HIM HE MAY REMEMBER US IN HIS WILL.



TELL ME SOME FUNNY NAMES, UNCLE MCGOOF! I'VE ONLY GOT ONE NAME SO FAR, AND THAT'S TIGHT-WAD!



HOW DID YOU HAPPEN TO THINK OF TIGHT-WAD?



OH, I GOT THAT FROM PAPA, UNCLE MCGOOF! THAT'S WHAT HE ALWAYS CALLS YOU!



HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I TOLD YOU TO BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY IN FRONT OF THE CHILDREN? -AND SPEAKING OF NAMES YOUR NAME IS MUD SO FAR AS UNCLE IS CONCERNED! I HOPE YOU'RE SATISFIED.



ATTENTION, CHILDREN!

HERE'S SOMETHING NEW FOR YOU! SOMETHING THAT MY LITTLE READERS ARE GOING TO LIKE VERY MUCH!

BEGINNING NEXT WEEK AND EVERY WEEK THERE-AFTER FOR MANY MONTHS TO COME I'LL PRINT "TOOTS AND CASPER CUT-OUTS" FOR YOU IN THIS CORNER.

THERE WILL BE "PAPER DOLLS" OF TOOTS, CASPER, BUTTERCUP AND ALL OF MY OTHER CHARACTERS. THERE'LL ALSO BE LOADS OF CLOTHES TO DRESS THE DOLLS, SPACE WON'T PERMIT ME TO PRINT THE DOLLS AND ALL OF THEIR COSTUMES AT THE SAME TIME, SO MAKE SURE YOU DON'T MISS THIS PAPER A SINGLE SUNDAY IF YOU WANT THE COMPLETE COLLECTION!

TELL YOUR LITTLE PLAY-MATES ABOUT THIS! THEY'LL ALL WANT THE CUT-OUTS, TOO! TELL YOUR TEACHER TO ANNOUNCE IT! SO YOUR WHOLE CLASS CAN GET IN ON THE CUT-OUTS FROM THE START! GET YOUR SCISSORS READY AND WAIT FOR THE FIRST "CUT-OUT" IN NEXT WEEK'S PAPER.

YOURS IN FUN, JIMMY MURPHY

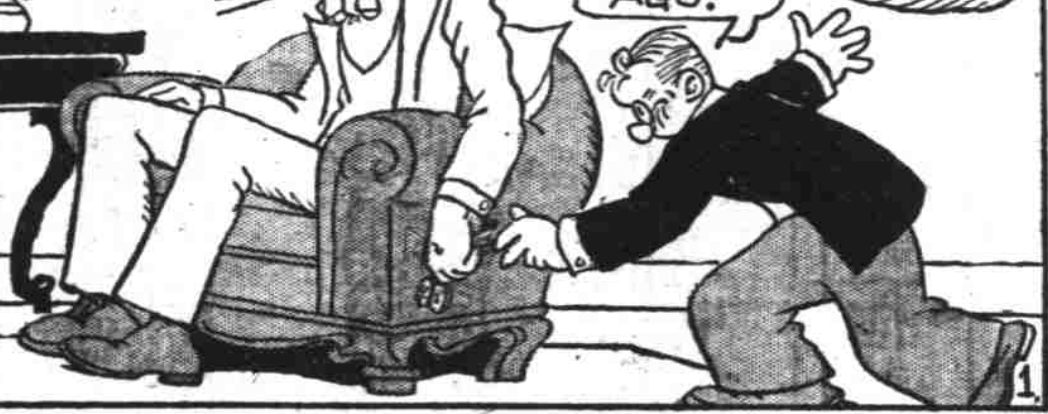
AND LISTEN, KIDS: I WANT YOU TO SUGGEST FUNNY NAMES FOR NEW CHARACTERS IN THE COMIC STAMPS. GET YOUR PARENTS TO HELP YOU DEVISE COMIC NAMES, MAYBE THE NICK-NAMES OF PEOPLE YOU KNOW WILL FURNISH A CLUE. GET BUSY AT ONCE! MAIL IN SOME NAMES TODAY! THERE'LL BE PRIZES FOR THE BEST NAMES. ADDRESS YOUR LETTERS TO JIMMY MURPHY, IN CARE OF THIS NEWSPAPER.



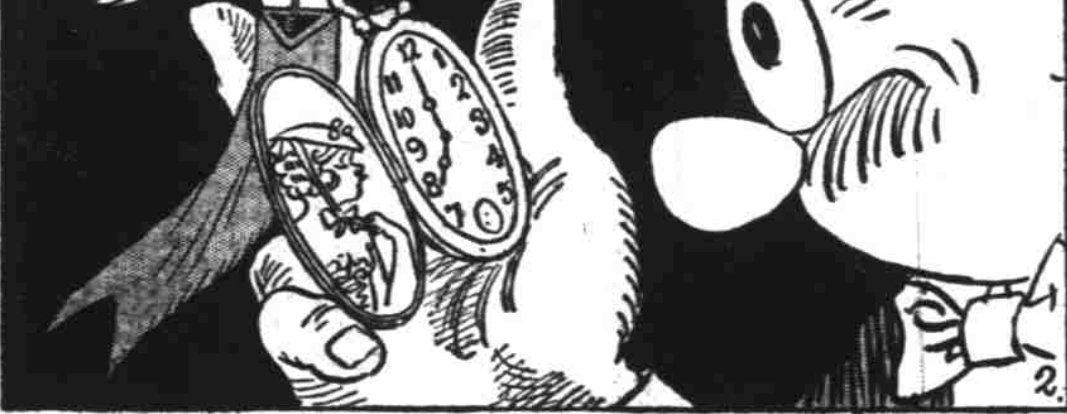
Toots and Casper

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LOOK WHAT'S DANGLING FROM UNCLE EVERETT'S HAND! HIS OLD WATCH! HE PASTED THAT PICTURE OF ELSIE IN IT 35 YEARS AGO!



MY, BUT ELSIE WAS A BEAUTY THEN! HIS GOLDEN-HAIRED SWEETHEART WHEN SHE WAS SWEET SIXTEEN!



35 YEARS AGO EVERETT AND ELSIE WERE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED, BUT THEIR PATHS SEPARATED AFTER A SILLY QUARREL! THINKING SHE LOVED ANOTHER, HE LEFT TOWN AND WAS NEVER SEEN AGAIN! BUT AS THE YEARS PASSED HIS LOVE FOR HER GREW STRONGER AND SHE WAITED AND WAITED FOR HIM TO RETURN TO HER.



YEARS LATER HE LEARNED OF THIS AND DETERMINED TO FIND HER! HE SEARCHED THE WORLD - HE COMBED THE EARTH AND FINALLY FOUND HER, AND THEN THEY WERE MARRIED!



UNCLE EVERETT MUST HAVE BEEN DREAMING, TOOTS! HE JUST AWAKENED WITH A START!



YES, I WAS DREAMING, TOOTS! I DREAMT I WAS IN A TERRIBLE STORM! THE RAIN CAME DOWN IN TORRENTS AS I DASHED TOWARDS SHELTER.



THAT'S A BAD DREAM! IT MEANS TROUBLED WATERS... HEART-ACHES... GRIEF OVER DOMESTIC TROUBLES.



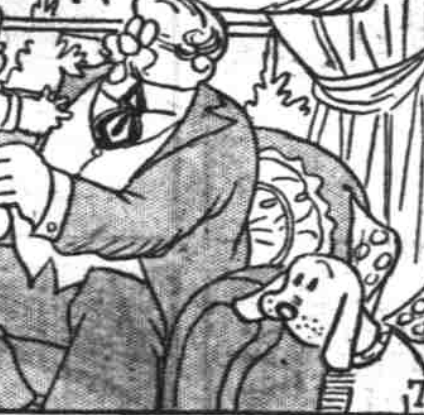
IT MAY SOUND FOOLISH, TOOTS, BUT I HAVE A STRANGE FEELING THAT SOMETHING IS GOING TO HAPPEN TO THEM!



HELLO, ABNER - WHERE IS ELSIE?!



I SAW HER IN THE LIBRARY WITH HER BROTHER A FEW MINUTES AGO, UNCLE EVERETT!



I'VE GOT TO HAVE SOME DOUGH, ELSIE! IF YOU WON'T HELP ME OUT I'LL ASK YOUR HUSBAND! HE'S GOT PLENTY!



TAKE THIS RING, DICK! YOU CAN GET MONEY ON IT, BUT DON'T YOU DARE ASK EVERETT FOR A CENT! I WON'T STAND FOR THAT!



YOU'VE LOOKED WORRIED EVER SINCE YOUR BROTHER CAME HERE, ELSIE! WHAT WAS HE SAYING TO YOU?



I THINK YOU IMAGINE LOTS OF THINGS JUST BECAUSE YOU DON'T LIKE HIM, EVERETT!



MAY 19TH WILL BE THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF OUR MARRIAGE, ELSIE, AND I'M SO HAPPY! IT SEEMS LIKE I'M IN PARADISE WITH YOU AT MY SIDE...



I'VE BEEN HAPPY TOO, EVERETT, AND ALWAYS REMEMBER NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, I LOVE YOU MORE THAN ANYBODY OR ANYTHING IN THE WORLD!

I NEARLY FAINTED WHEN EVERETT ASKED ME WHY I'M NOT WEARING THE JEWELS HE GAVE ME. I DIDN'T DARE TELL HIM I LET MY BROTHER PAWN THEM FOR FUNDS TO KEEP OUT OF A JAM HE GOT INTO! ALL MY LIFE I'VE BEEN GETTING DICK OUT OF TROUBLE. HE'S GOING FROM BAD TO WORSE AND YET I LOVE HIM!



DICK HOLDS A CLUB OVER MY HEAD! HE KNOWS I'D BE ASHAMED FOR EVERETT TO EVER HEAR OF THE THINGS HE'S DONE. AS LONG AS I'M MARRIED MY BROTHER WILL BE AFTER ME FOR MONEY! I'M SO AFRAID SOMETIME HELL JEOPARDIZE EVERETT'S GOOD NAME! THERE MUST BE A WAY OUT OF THIS!



WHAT IS ELSIE'S PLAN? CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.

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