



# IT'S PAPA WHO PAYS!

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TURN THE GAS OFF IN THE OVEN AT FOUR O'CLOCK AND DON'T FORGET!

WHY SHOULD I FORGET?

I DON'T WANT ANY SLIP-UP! I'VE TIMED THE GAS SO THAT MY ROAST WILL BE DONE AT FOUR O'CLOCK! DON'T YOU DARE FORGET AND LET MY ROAST BURN UP!

SAVE THE "TOOTS AND CASPER COMIC CUT-OUT" EVERY WEEK!

THESE CLOTHES ARE FOR THE HORACE HUMBINGER DOLL OF LAST WEEK!

AND HERE IS STELLA CLINKER'S MAID - HER UNIFORMS WILL BE PRINTED NEXT WEEK!

SURPRISE! NEXT WEEK WE'LL PRINT A CUT-OUT OF BOBBED HAIR - 'TOOTS' AS SHE LOOKED IN 1923

SEND BACK ON DOTTED LINE  
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SOMETIMES I GET PROVOKED AT MAMA! I'M NO TWO-YEAR-OLD!

WHAT GETS ME IS HER LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN ME! SHE ACTS AS IF SHE CAN'T TRUST ME TO ATTEND TO ANYTHING!

WHY SHOULD I LET THE ROAST BURN UP? I DON'T HAVE TO TIE STRINGS AROUND MY FINGERS TO REMEMBER THINGS! HUM-M-- IT'S 3.10 NOW-- I'LL KEEP MY EYES ON THAT CLOCK!

DID YOU THINK I WAS NEVER COMING HOME, PAPA? WHAT'S THAT I SMELL BURNING? Z-Z-

GOOD HEAVENS--- MY ROAST!

OH, YOU SCOUNDREL-- Z-Z-Z

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# Toots and Casper

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I'M SERIOUS, TOOTS! I'VE KNOWN ELLEN FERGUSON EVER SINCE WE WERE KIDS TOGETHER, AND NOW I'M HEAD OVER HEELS IN LOVE WITH HER! I WANT TO MARRY HER IF SHE'LL HAVE ME! I'M GOING TO PROPOSE TO HER WHEN SHE COMES TO TOWN NEXT WEEK BUT GOSH! I HARDLY KNOW HOW TO GO ABOUT IT!

THEN WE'D BETTER GIVE YOU A FEW LESSONS ON HOW TO PROPOSE, UNCLE ABNER! YOU CAN PRACTICE ON 'TOOTS' NOW JUST PRETEND THAT TOOTS IS ELLEN! WALK OVER, SIT DOWN BESIDE HER AND ASK HER TO MARRY YOU!

ER-ER-TOOTs--- I MEAN ELLEN! I LIKE YOU AND I WANT YOU TO BE MY W-WIFE!  
NO! THAT WON'T DO! DON'T ACT SO BASHFUL--- DON'T BE SO TIMID!

SNUGGLE UP CLOSER! NOBODY'S GONNA BITE YOU! PUT YOUR ARMS AROUND HER AND WHISPER INTO HER EAR HOW MUCH YOU LOVE HER--- NOW LET'S TRY IT AGAIN!

ELLEN, I LOVE YOU--- WILL YOU M-MARRY ME?  
THAT WON'T DO, EITHER! PUT MORE FEELING INTO YOUR WORDS--- YOU'RE NOT ASKING SOMEBODY AT A LUNCH COUNTER TO PASS YOU THE SALT--- YOU'RE ASKING A GIRL TO MARRY YOU!

IT'S NOT IN ME TO HAND OUT A LOT OF SOFT SOAP, CASPER! I DON'T SAY MUCH, BUT WHEN I SAY SOMETHING I MEAN IT!  
JUST THE SAME, YOU OUGHT TO BE MORE AFFECTIONATE AND ACT MORE ROMANTIC! THAT'S WHAT THE LADIES LIKE!

I GIVE UP TRYING TO TELL YOU WHAT TO DO--- I'LL HAVE TO SHOW YOU HOW TO DO IT! WATCH ME AND LEARN SOMETHING! GAZE AT A SUPER-LOVER IN ACTION!

I LOVE YOU--- I ADORE YOU--- YOUR PRETTY EYES ENTRANCE ME--- YOUR SWEET SMILE CAPTIVATES ME--- YOUR SHAPELY LIPS BEWITCH ME--- I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT YOU--- SWEETHEART, BE MINE! MARRY ME!  
THIS IS SO SUDDEN!

AND THEN CLASP HER IN YOUR STRONG ARMS AND SHOWER HER WITH KISSES! THAT'S THE WAY TO PROPOSE!  
THAT'S NOT THE WAY I'M GOING TO PROPOSE TO ELLEN, BUT I'M GOING TO ASK HER TO MARRY ME JUST THE SAME!

STELLA CLINKER! YOU'VE MADE UP YOUR MIND TO MARRY ABNER BECAUSE HE HAS MONEY! ALL THAT INTERESTS YOU IS MONEY!  
WE'D FEEL SORRY FOR YOU IF WE DIDN'T KNOW HOW DESIGNING AND MERCENARY YOU ARE---  
OH, STELLA, WHAT A SHOCK YOU'RE DUE FOR WHEN ABNER'S ENGAGEMENT TO ELLEN FERGUSON IS ANNOUNCED!

CASPER, SEE WHO IS AT THE DOOR!  
WHY, IT'S ELLEN FERGUSON! GEE, TOOTS, I DIDN'T EXPECT SHE'D ARRIVE HERE SO SOON!

YES, IT'S ELLEN FERGUSON! SWEET, LOVABLE, UNSELFISH ELLEN!  
EVER SINCE HER CHILDHOOD DAYS SHE HAS SECRETLY LOVED ABNER!  
LITTLE DOES SHE DREAM THAT THE BIGGEST MOMENT OF HER LIFE IS NEAR AT HAND WHEN ABNER WILL ASK HER TO BECOME HIS WIFE!

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