

IT'S PAPA WHO PAYS!

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MAMA, I WAS JUST THINKING OF LITTLE "CHUCK" TASSEL, THE GUY WE USED TO KNOW BACK HOME! REMEMBER HIM?

OF COURSE, I REMEMBER HIM, PAPA! HE USED TO DRIVE THE WALDON AT CHARLEY'S FEED STORE WHEN YOU WORKED IN THE BANK!

THAT'S THE GUY, MAMA! HE WAS KINDA SWEET ON YOU IN THOSE DAYS... WASN'T HE?

THESE CLOTHES ARE FOR YOUR SOME HOOPER DOLL OF LAST WEEK!

HERE, BY REQUEST, IS UNCLE EVERETT'S BUTLER "MEADOWS"!

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HE SURE WAS, PAPA, AND I LIKED HIM, TOO! HE BELLED ME TO MARRY HIM AND I GUESS I'D BE HIS WIFE TODAY IF YOU HADN'T COME ALONG!

IT WAS ALL OFF WITH HIM WHEN I CAME INTO YOUR LIFE, MAMA! I WONDER WHAT EVER BECAME OF HIM?

OH, YOU DO? WELL, HE'S A MILLIONAIRE MANUFACTURER NOW! I JUST READ THAT HE AND HIS WIFE SPEND THEIR WINTERS IN THEIR CASTLE ABROAD!

YES... HIS WIFE HAS LIMOUSINES, JEWELS... SERVANTS... LUXURIES! SHE DOESN'T HAVE TO WASH, AND IRON, AND SCRUB AND WORK HER FINGERS TO THE BONE LIKE I DO!

YOU HAD THE SAME CHANCE HE DID! YOU REALLY HAD A BETTER CHANCE, BUT LOOK AT HIM TODAY AND LOOK AT YOU!

YES... LOOK AT YOU! YOU'RE NO BETTER OFF TODAY THAN YOU WERE TWENTY YEARS AGO! WHAT A CHUMP I WAS TO WASTE MY LIFE ON A WORTHLESS LOAFER LIKE YOU... OH, YOU SCOUNDREL!

Toots and Casper

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ELLEN, THERE'S SOMETHING I'VE GOT TO T-TELL YOU, BUT I HARDLY KNOW HOW TO B-BE-LIEV-

FIRST, LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT THE DARLING BUNGALOW I SAW FOR RENT, ABNER DEAR! IT'S A LITTLE DREAM AND I KNOW YOU'LL LOVE IT!

WE CAN BUY SOME FURNITURE AND HAVE IT ALL READY TO MOVE INTO AS SOON AS WE'RE MARRIED! I WANT YOUR ROOM TO BE THE COZIEST ROOM IN ALL THE WORLD...

THAT SOUNDS NICE, ELLEN!

I DON'T WANT A BIG PLACE, ABNER DARLING! ALL I WANT IS A LITTLE HOME WHERE I CAN DO ALL THE WORK AND BE ALONE WITH YOU! OH, ABNER, I LOVE YOU SO, AND WE'RE ALWAYS GOING TO BE SO HAPPY! SEE, ABNER, I HAVEN'T GIVEN YOU A CHANCE TO TELL ME WHAT YOU STARTED TO!

ER- I'VE FORGOTTEN WHAT IT WAS NOW, ELLEN...

POOR LITTLE SOUL! I JUST COULDN'T GET UP NERVE ENOUGH TO TELL HER I'M NOT GOING TO MARRY HER--- I LOVE HER MORE THAN ANYONE IN THE WORLD AND YET I'VE GOT TO TELL HER THAT I DON'T CARE FOR HER ANYMORE--- I CAN HARDLY GO THROUGH WITH IT--

WHY, IT'S-- IT'S STELLA CLINKER!

YES, IT'S ME, CASPER! I WANT TO TALK TO ABNER!

ABNER, MAY I SEE YOU FOR A MOMENT IN PRIVATE?

ER-ER-- YES-- OF COURSE-- STEP THIS WAY, STELLA!

STELLA CLINKER HAS HER NERVE COMING HERE, CASPER! SHE KNOWS SHE'S NOT WELCOME!

DID YOU NOTICE HOW FLUSTERED ABNER WAS WHEN HE SAW HER, TOOTS?

WHY HAVEN'T I HEARD FROM YOU, ABNER? I WON'T STAND FOR ANY STALLING! HAVE YOU TOLD ELLEN FERLUSON THAT YOU'RE GOING TO MARRY ME?

NOT SO LOUD, STELLA! PLEASE! THE FOLKS MIGHT HEAR YOU--

I DON'T CARE WHO HEARS ME! YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LIVE ME THE RUN-A-ROUND! YOU'RE GOING TO MARRY ME WITHOUT DELAY, OR I'LL EXPOSE THAT LETTER OF YOURS! WHY HAVEN'T YOU TOLD ELLEN? WHAT'S THE DELAY?

MY, BUT YOU'RE CONSIDERATE, AREN'T YOU? WELL, IF YOU WON'T TELL HER I WILL! I'M DYING FOR THE CHANCE TO GET EVEN WITH THAT LITTLE NOBODY!

NO... NO! DON'T DO THAT, STELLA! I'LL TELL HER! I'LL TELL HER!

ABNER IS CALLING YOU, ELLEN!

THANK YOU, CASPER!

QUIT SPLUTTERING, ABNER! SAY WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY OR I'LL TELL ELLEN MYSELF--- HURRY UP!



LITTLE ELLEN CAN HARDLY BELIEVE HER EARS, BUT IN A FEW MOMENTS THE TERRIBLE TRUTH WILL DAWN ON HER!

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