

IT'S PAPA WHO PAYS!

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MAMA JUMPS ON ME ALL THE TIME BECAUSE I NEVER TAKE ANY EXERCISE---

SHE WON'T HAVE CAUSE TO COMPLAIN AGAIN, BECAUSE BEGINNING RIGHT NOW I'M GONNA TAKE A WALK AFTER DINNER EVERY EVENING!

I WON'T BE GONE LONG, MAMA--- I'M GOING FOR A WALK!

A WALK? HUM-M-M--

PAPA, COME BACK HERE A MINUTE---

ARE YOU SNEAKING OUT TO THE DRUG STORE TO 'PHONE SOMEBODY ON THE SLY?

WHY, MAMA, OF COURSE NOT-- DON'T LIE TO ME! I WASN'T BORN YESTERDAY-- YOU LOOKED PRETTY HAPPY TODAY FOR SOME REASON!

TAKE OFF YOUR COAT-- YOU MAY HAVE A DATE TO MEET SOME WOMAN, BUT YOU'RE NOT GONNA KEEP IT TONIGHT OR ANY OTHER NIGHT!



HERE IS MAMA AND SOME CLOTHES FOR HER!

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Toots and Casper

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HOW DOES LUCY LOOK TO YOU NOW, CASPER? QUIT YOUR KIDDING, TOOTS! THIS AIN'T LUCY, OUR LAUNDRESS!

OH, YES, IT'S LUCY, AND SHE LOOKS QUITE DIFFERENT NOW AFTER THE BEAUTY SHOP FINISHED WITH HER AND WE PUT SOME CHIC CLOTHES ON HER! SAY, IF I WAS SINGLE I'D MAKE A PLAY FOR LUCY, MYSELF!

LAND SAKES, WHAT WILL THE NEIGHBORS SAY WHEN THEY SEE ME WITH MY FACE POWDERED AND MY LIPS ROUGED? EXCUSE US, CASPER, I WANT LUCY TO TRY ON ANOTHER DRESS I BOUGHT FOR HER---

SLIP THIS ON, LUCY--- I'LL BE WITH YOU IN A MINUTE!

LUCY LOOKS LOVELY NOW, CASPER, AND I'LL BET YOU THAT ROGER KAILERTON WILL FALL FOR HER WHEN HE MEETS HER! HOW'S HE GONNA MEET HER WHEN HE'S NOT IN TOWN ANY MORE, TOOTS?

WE CAN EITHER TAKE HER TO PRAIRIE JUNCTION OR BRING HIM HERE, BUT THEY'VE GOT TO MEET WAIT A SECOND, TOOTS, THE 'PHONE IS RINGING!

GEE, IS THAT YOU, ROGER? WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT YOU--- SURE, HOP IN A TAXI AND COME OUT HERE---

ROGER KAILERTON WILL BE HERE IN TEN MINUTES, TOOTS-- HE'S IN TOWN ON SOME BUSINESS FOR UNCLE EVERETT! THAT'S FINE, CASPER, I HOPE HE TAKES A SHINE TO LUCY-- WE'LL SOON SEE---

HURRY, LUCY--- PUT ON THAT GOWN--- ROGER IS ON HIS WAY HERE! HE WON'T WANT TO WASTE TIME ON ME, MA'AM! I'M SURE HE WON'T!

COME RIGHT IN, ROGER, AND CHEER UP! CAN'T YOU SMILE ANYMORE? NO NEED OF MY FACE LOOKING CHEERFUL, CASPER, WHEN MY HEART IS ACHING! I CAN'T BE HAPPY WITHOUT STELLA!

STELLA COMPLETES HER SIX WEEKS' RESIDENCE IN NEVADA NEXT WEEK AND THEN SHE'LL DIVORCE ME AT ONCE! I CAN'T BEAR TO THINK THAT I'VE LOST HER, BUT ALL MY PLEADING HAS BEEN IN VAIN!

BETTER FISH IN THE SEA THAN EVER WERE CAUGHT, ROGER--- STEP THIS WAY, THERE'S A GAL HERE WE WANT YOU TO MEET. I DON'T WANT TO KNOW ANY MORE WOMEN, CASPER--- I'LL ALWAYS LOVE STELLA, EVEN IF SHE DID TIRE OF ME---

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK!

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