



IT'S PAPA WHO PAYS!

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YESIREE! I'M GONNA SHOWER THE LITTLE ATTENTIONS AND SWEET REMARKS ON MAMA THAT ALL WOMEN LIKE!



SHE'S BEEN A SWELL PAL, BUT I MUSTN'T TAKE HER TOO MUCH FOR GRANTED!



YOU LOOK MIGHTY PRETTY TONIGHT, YOU LITTLE PEACHES AND CREAM!



BENJAMIN PLUNKER'S NEW SECRETARY.

EDNA CHIX.

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YOU GET YOUNGER AND PRETTIER EVERY DAY, ANGEL!



PAPA, YOU'RE AN OLD SMOOTHIE

HMM--- I'M NOT SO SURE THOSE COMPLIMENTS AIN'T PLAIN SARCAISM!



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I KNOW I'M NOT PRETTY--- AND I AIN'T GETTIN' YOUNGER AND I'M NOT LITTLE! I KNOW THAT WITHOUT HIM REMINDIN' ME OF IT!



SOCK--- HOW DARE YOU MAKE FUN OF ME?



Toots and Casper

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HERE IS "EDNA CHIX," THE NEW SECRETARY THAT CASPER HIRED FOR THE BOSS.

YOU'RE MUCH YOUNGER THAN I EXPECTED, MISS CHIX, BUT I MUST COMPLIMENT YOU ON THE EFFICIENCY YOU'VE SHOWN-



THANK YOU, SIR, I LIKE MY JOB AND I HOPE YOU WILL LIKE ME!



I'VE ORDERED FRESH FLOWERS FOR YOUR DESK EVERY DAY, SIR!



THANK YOU, MISS CHIX--- ASK THE GENERAL MANAGER TO COME IN, PLEASE!



CASPER, YOU SURE KNOW HOW TO PICK 'EM! THAT GIRL IS NOT ONLY SWEET AND PRETTY BUT SHE'S AMAZINGLY CAPABLE AS WELL!



WHY, OF ALL THE PRETTY GIRLS IN THE WORLD, DID MY SON BY A STRANGE TWIST OF FATE HAVE TO FALL IN LOVE WITH THE DAUGHTER OF MY WORST ENEMY?



TED'S FIANCEE MUST BE A MYTH! HE'S WITH HER ALL THE TIME YET NOBODY'S EVER SEEN HER.



HMM--- IF I'D KNOWN MISS CHIX SOONER I MIGHT HAVE HIRED HER TO VAMP MY SON AWAY FROM HIS FIANCEE INSTEAD OF STELLA CLINKER BUT STELLA IS MORE EXPERIENCED--- I MUST 'PHONE HER---



NO, I DIDN'T SEE YOUR SON YESTERDAY, MR. PLUNKER--- I WAITED AND WAITED--- BUT HE NEVER SHOWED UP!



WHAT? WHY, I SENT HIM OVER TO YOUR HOUSE WITH YOUR GLOVES! I'LL SEE ABOUT THAT!



TED, I TOLD YOU TO RETURN MISS CLINKER'S GLOVES TO HER!



THOSE DARN GLOVES--- THEY CAUSED ME TO HAVE A QUARREL WITH MY GIRL!



I WAS IN A HURRY AND DECIDED TO DROP 'EM OFF AT MISS CLINKER'S ON MY WAY HOME--- WELL, MY GIRL SAW THE GLOVES IN MY POCKET AND SHE GOT SORE---



MISS CLINKER MAY NEED HER GLOVES, TED!



OH, ALL RIGHT! I'LL TAKE 'EM OVER TO HER NOW!



THIS IS PERFECT--- HE'LL BE EASIER PREY FOR STELLA IN THE MOOD HE'S IN! HA-HA!



HELLO! NO, TED'S NOT HERE! HE JUST LEFT! SAY, ARE YOU MISS BRAMBELL?



YES, WILL YOU PLEASE TELL TED I'M SORRY I QUARRELED WITH HIM---



HA! I'LL TELL HIM! LIKE FUN I WILL! HMM--- HER VOICE SOUNDED FAMILIAR---



WHERE HAVE I HEARD THAT VOICE BEFORE? HMM--- MAYBE HER VOICE IS LIKE HER MOTHER'S! YES, THAT'S IT! HER MOTHER, THE WOMAN I LOVED--- THE WOMAN "SLIM BRAMBELL" STOLE FROM ME!



MR. TED IS HERE WITH YOUR GLOVES, MADAME.



THIS IS MY OPPORTUNITY AND I MUST MAKE THE MOST OF IT--- OH, NORKA, WISH ME LUCK BECAUSE I LOVE HIM!



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