

IT'S PAPA WHO PAYS!

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JUNIOR, I SMELL GAS--
I'LL TELL BUNNY!

BUNNY, THERE'S GAS LEAKIN' SOMEPLACE.
I'LL TELL BUSTER TO CHECK UP ON IT!

BUSTER, I SMELL GAS.
I'LL TELL MAMA ABOUT IT!

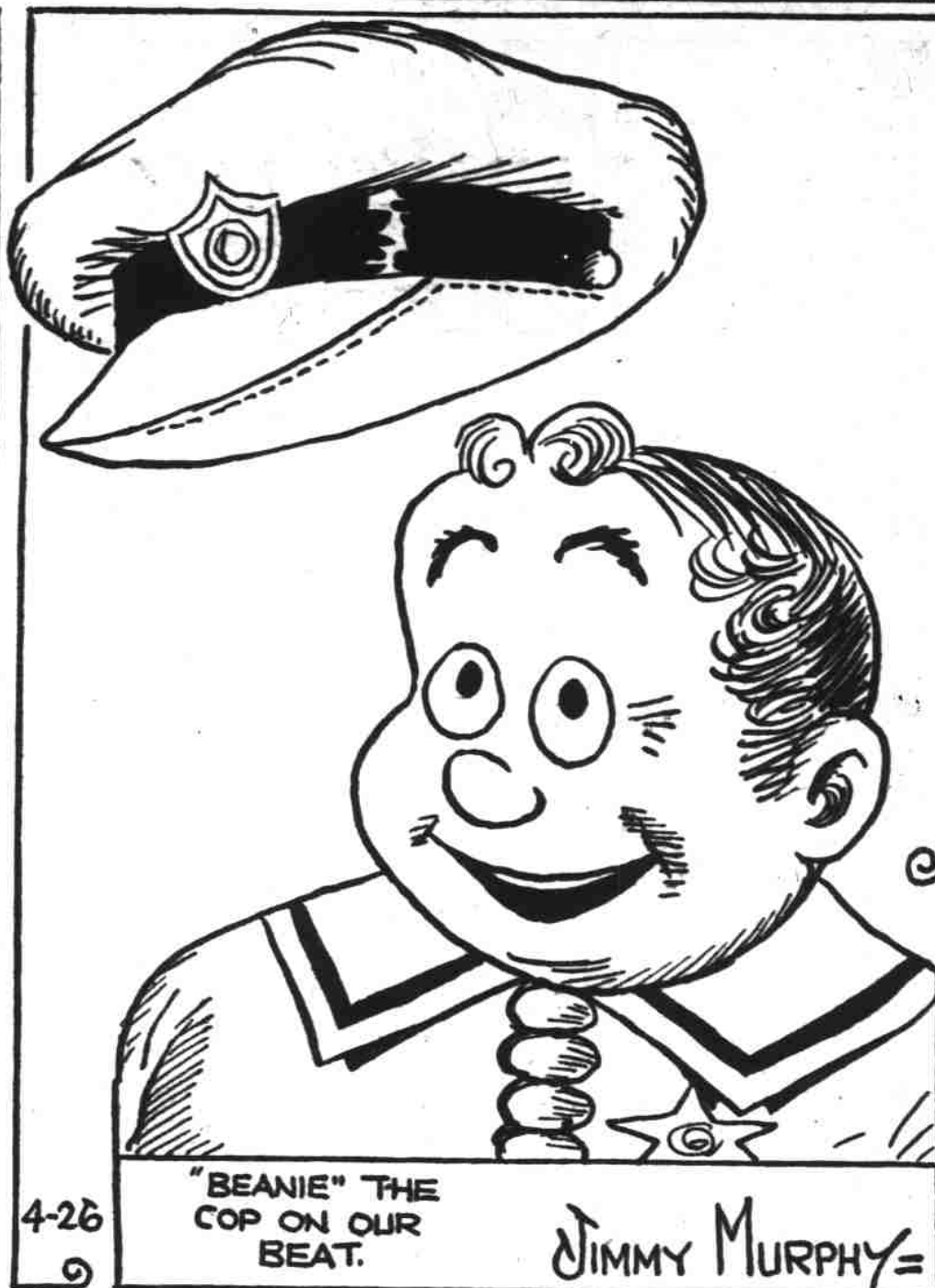
MA, THERE'S GAS LEAKING.
I SMELL IT NOW MYSELF! I'LL TELL PAPA.

IT ISN'T THE KITCHEN STOVE.
Mebbe a pilot light in the basement went out-- I'll look and see.

BOOM--

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MAMA, YOU WERE RIGHT! THERE WAS GAS LEAKING!



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Toots and Casper

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BENJAMIN PLUNKER WAS JUST IN THE ACT OF PAYING OFF \$100,000.00 TO THE BLACK-MAILERS WHEN CASPER RUSHED IN!

BOSS, THIS GUY ISN'T JULIA SNOOTY'S BROTHER-- HE'S HER HUSBAND!
ABSURD!

HERE'S THEIR WEDDING CERTIFICATE--- ALSO PASSPORTS WITH THEIR PHOTOS ON THEM--- THEY WERE IN THIS PURSE TOOTS FOUND UNDER OUR SOFA SEAT CUSHION--- IT'S THE PURSE JULIA LOST.

JULIA CAN'T SUE YOU FOR BREACH OF PROMISE, BOSS, WHEN SHE ALREADY HAS A HUSBAND!
I'LL PUT YOU CROOKS AND JULIA IN PRISON FOR EXTORTION!
GO AHEAD IF YOU DON'T MIND THE NOTORIETY, BIG BOY!

BOSS, THEY CAN'T BLUFF ME! HELLO, POLICE DEPARTMENT? RUSH SOME COPS HERE IMMEDIATELY! HURRY!
CASPER! HOLD ON! STOP IT!

COME ON, ELMER! QUICK! LET'S SCRAM!
WHAT, AND LEAVE ALL THAT DOUGH, JACK?
STOP! COME BACK HERE!

BOSS, YOU'LL NEVER SEE THAT TRIO AGAIN! THEY'LL BEAT IT SO FAR AWAY YOU'LL NEVER SEE HIDE OR HAIR OF THEM.
WHAT WILL WE SAY WHEN THE POLICE GET HERE?

I DIDN'T PHONE THE COPS, MR. PLUNKER-- I HELD THE RECEIVER HOOK DOWN WHILE I WAS TALKING.
CASPER, THAT'S A GOOD ONE-- YOU SAVED ME \$100,000.00

TOOTS, NOW I CAN TELL YOU HOW JULIA SNOOTY TRIED TO SHAKE THE BOSS DOWN FOR \$100,000.00 CLAIMING BREACH OF PROMISE.
WHY, I NEVER DREAMT SHE WAS THAT KIND OF A GIRL, CASPER!

NEXT TIME MR PLUNKER WON'T BE SO QUICK TO TAKE A "FATHERLY INTEREST" IN PEOPLE HE DOESN'T KNOW!
HE CAN THANK ME FOR GETTING HIM OUT OF A SERIOUS SITUATION TOOTS.

IMAGINE ME SAVING THE BOSS \$100,000.00 AND NOT GETTING A CENT REWARD! HE SURE IS A SOME-SKIN-FLINT AND A TIGHT-WAD! I'LL BE A PLAQUE TO HIM!
EXCUSE ME, CASPER, I'VE GOT TO GO-- SOMEONE IS AT THE DOOR.
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TOOTS, HERE'S \$1000.00 FOR YOU FOR FINDING JULIA'S PURSE! YOU SAVED MY NECK!
MR. PLUNKER, I WOULDN'T THINK OF IT!
PST, TOOTS, GRAB IT!

AS I WAS SAYING, TOOTS, THE BOSS SURE IS GENEROUS AND LIBERAL! HE'D GIVE YOU HIS SHIRT ANY TIME-- COME NOW-- SPLIT THAT CHECK WITH ME!
SURE WE'LL GO 50-50! I'LL GIVE YOU \$50.00 AND I'LL KEEP \$950.00
CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.